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**MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING
of
THE OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE ADVISORY GROUP
(OHVAG)
of
THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to A.R.S. §41-511.22 to members of the Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group (OHVAG) and the general public that the Group will hold a meeting open to the public on **Friday, November 2, 2012 beginning at 1:00 p.m. at the Pine Lake Fire Station, off Hualapai Mountain Road, near Kingman, AZ.** Public comment will be taken. The Group may go into Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the State Parks Assistant Attorney General on any of the agenda items pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431 et seq. Items on the Agenda may be discussed out of order, unless they have been assigned a time certain. Public comment will be taken. The Group will discuss and may take action on the following matters:

MINUTES

(The Chair reserves the right to set the order of the agenda.)

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

CHAIR SAVINO: I'm going to call this Off-Highway Vehicle -- State Parks Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group meeting on this Friday, November 2, 2012. It starts at 1:00 p.m. The time is 1:05 p.m., at the Pine Lake State Fire Station in the Hualapai Mountains. The call to order -- we'll have a roll call of members and State Parks people. My name is John Savino. I'm chairman. Don?

MR. FRENCH: Don French, White Mountains Open Trails Association, from Kingman.

MR. McARTHUR: I'm Thomas McArthur, the Coconino Trail Riders, from Sedona.

MS. ANTLE: Rebecca Antle, Arizona State Association of 4-Wheel Drive Clubs, Tucson – Pima County.

B. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

MR. MARTIN: I'm Bryan Martyn, Director of State Parks. Judge Paul, it's good to have you with us.

MR. PRINCE: Jeff Prince, Arizona State Parks Off-Highway Vehicle Program Coordinator.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, and then Paul, for the record, state your name and your position.

MR. KATZ: This is Paul Katz, I'm an Assistant Attorney General, appearing by telephone this afternoon.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, well welcome. We have some people in the room I am not at liberty to mention your names. I don't have them, so, let's go from there. I call this meeting to order. Okay, the staff is done. The Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Mission Statement is, **"The Statewide OHV Program Mission is to develop and enhance statewide off-highway vehicle recreation opportunities, and develop educational programs that promote resource protection, social responsibility, and interagency cooperation."** I'd like to go off this agenda. I'm going to skip around a little bit and go to Director Martyn. I'm going to let you have the floor because you have to leave.

DR. MARTYN: Thank you, Chairman Savino. Thanks again to this body, for all of you for OHV. I'm here for the simple purpose of letting you know that I'm very involved and still very engaged in what you do; and to let you know to demonstrate that State Parks just hired an OHV Coordinator, as you well know. Jeff Prince represents that person. He was hired through a committee of members of your own committee, and was recommended to me. I looked at four different individuals and hired Jeff as the OHV Coordinator. He started about two weeks ago – almost two-and-a-half weeks ago, now; and he is your guy. My door remains open, but I will tell you. I have a lot of things to work on because there are a lot of state parks as you are well aware; but this is an important piece. So much so that we hired somebody to watch over it and protect it and make it work more efficiently.

But I will tell you that the words that come out of Jeff's mouth you can assume to be mine; and if you run across something that you disagree with or you don't understand, I encourage you to go to your OHV Coordinator, first, but I am always available. I have put this in place so you have a person who is dedicated to your issues, 100 percent of the time. That is all he does, take care of OHV.

CHAIR SAVINO: Did you know that the – you said that the words coming out of his mouth – he promised us all \$200 apiece.

[Laughter.]

DR. MARTYN: I just wanted to – it was that important for me to drive the three-and-a-half hours here to talk for 15 minutes and drive three-and-a-half hours back because I wanted you to see in my eyeballs. I wanted to look John Savino right in the eyes and let him know that this is your guy; and this is the guy that you'll work with moving forward. If you run into trouble and he can't handle it, you can drop me like a gun. Don't call me unless you absolutely need to. I'm still there. My door is always open to the community, but this is your guy. I just wanted to make that perfectly clear here. We are dedicated. We are using your money to hire people to manage your program. So that's critically important. He is qualified to do what he's doing. He is learning as he goes, as well. I encourage this group to educate him on the issues that are important to this community that we continue to educate the public on what is OHV, what are OHV dollars allocated towards – half cent and sticker money, they go to a number of different things, and this community does not always agree on that – on what's important.

That why you meet as a body. The process is in place to ensure that the dollars can get back to the community. That was a problem that wasn't happening and is going to happen. Then the fact that we're looking at the makeup of OHVAG, do not take that as an affront. That was a recommendation made by the chairman of my board – on the State Parks Board – to take a look based on the input of a rancher – which is fine. Don't get too excited about it. I mean, if

you're confident in that your body represents the majority of the body of OHVers, that impacts funds, you'll be fine. Don't worry about it. You will be involved in that discussion. Don't think you're not involved in that discussion. I think that's important.

We're not trying to replace OHVAG with anybody. You play a critical role. You are the experts in the field. AORCC is not the expert in the field, my staff is not the expert in the field. You represent the expertise within the field of OHVAG -- OHV in Arizona. I just wanted to make that clear because I know this group is very wary of State Parks. There's quite a level of distrust for State Parks. We are working to heal those wounds of the past. We are moving forward. The only way we're going to keep moving forward is to keep in communication.

So, again, you've got a guy you can call 24 hours a day, seven days a week and then you've got me, who you can still call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. I just want you to know you've got a guy dedicated to you all the time. That's all I have unless you have any questions.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yes, we have questions. First of all I'd like to state that I appreciate what you've done; and we -- just by you showing up here like this, it means a lot on the thing. One thing that I -- and I was in on the hiring process for Jeff and I feel that he's going to do a great job for us -- you referenced; and it's on our agenda, item E3 which is the directive that the chairman of the State Parks Board, directed in this -- I'll read it out loud: Question number three on E3 -- and there's no number on the page, so -- "In response to a request from State Parks, the Park Board Chair, Walter Armer, at the June 12, 2012 Parks Board meeting -- a rancher named Craig Shelley referenced -- presented the information concerning the composition of the Off-Highway Vehicle -- the Motor Vehicle Advisory Board in New Mexico." His emphasis was that this committee seems to encompass a wider range of perspectives in regard to OHV issues. Chair Armer requested the staff work with Mr. Shelley regarding this issue.

Have you -- and you go on at the beginning of this you say, "The executive director, Bryan Martyn, has encouraged OHVAG to reach out to the community and tell them that the direction we're taking is in partnership -- in friendship and as stewards of taxpayer dollars." I believe what you're saying there -- how come none of the members of OHVAG have been invited to attend these meetings to -- you've had these meetings set up with staff. Staff is going to these meetings. Jeff will conduct this meeting up in Flagstaff -- Tucson. Nobody on our Board has been aware of that until we see these about these dates. How come we're not sitting at that table getting that perspective, as well as staff, on what the public wants?

DR. MARTYN: You know, Mr. Chairman, I don't know the process how the OHV Coordinator and staff came up with accommodating Chairman Armer's request. Common sense is not always a part of the equation since that obviously your input is equal, if not greater, than some rancher out in New Mexico. Your part of the discussion -- don't feel that because they didn't call you and say, "Hey, make sure you're at this meeting," that we're excluding you in any capacity. I think there's always the thought, too, that "Don't worry, John will be there." That might be part of the equation, as well.

CHAIR SAVINO: Well, you know, we need to be there in order to be able to get that input along with you guys.

MS. ANTLE: I'd like to know how that information was brought to the State Parks Board, because everything I've researched, it needs to be handwritten or it needs to be a letter and not just something that said to State Parks: "Can you please look at changing the makeup of OHVAG." So I believe there needed to be a letter or some documentation with that request.

DR. MARTYN: Mr. Savino, Rebecca, no, not required. The chairman has the prerogative to instruct staff, verbally. It is not required to have instruction in writing. He requested staff look into the makeup. The initiation of the request came because the individual was at the meeting and he had the call to the public. Although we don't engage individuals at calls to the public, the Board can request that staff pursue an issue; and that in this case is what happened. So, it's not required to put it in writing.

Staff has started down that path to go figure out – if you'll look at the makeup to compare it to other agencies – other states in this case – and ensure that we have the best makeup, the broadest scope of input relative to OHV funds.

MS. ANTLE: So, they are looking into the way other groups are run? Or are they looking into it from the actual government side of it; or are they looking into it from the user side?

DR. MARTYN: I think overall at this point they are exploring basically what New Mexico – the chairman was addressing the concerns of the individual citizen who said – who gave an example that New Mexico did something different, or better, or worse; and the chairman said that basically: "Go and look. See if maybe New Mexico does it better." Not saying that: "Replace the current system, just look at another system." And I think that's prudent for any chairman to look at – there's – you don't always know that you have the best model. Maybe there's something better out there. That doesn't mean we're going to throw ours – the current one – away and start over.

CHAIR SAVINO: I want to go on record by stating that I take offense to this statement down here. If you read it further that says, quote, "Chair Armer requests that staff work with Mr. Shelley," which is a rancher, "regarding this issue." You have a – an expert advisory group – Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group, made up of jeep people, of ATV people, single-trackers. That director – and what I take offense to and want to go on record on – should have said, "Work with your Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group to see about the makeup up there."

Instead he says and is showing the mentality of the State Parks Board by saying that "Work with a rancher on all Off-Highway Vehicle issues," there's something wrong with this; and this is a – I have to state, the makeup of the Board of Directors of the State Parks is made up of – there's not – let me – the makeup – there's not a single person from the OHV community – I know it's out of your hands and it goes up to the governor's office on this because those positions are appointed by the governor – there's not a single OHV representative on that Board of seven people, yet over ten percent of your entire operating budget comes from the OHV community.

You've gone leaps and bounds on staff from your position and on down. What I'm addressing, going on record for is the State Parks Board. Their mentality – and this has been going on for years – don't recognize the OHV community.

DR. MARTYN: Mr. Chairman, I think your position is biased based on indiscretions in the past. The Board itself really doesn't have an opinion, one way or the other in my personal opinion, about OHV – pro or con. I think in this case,

the chairman reached out to those individuals he could direct. The chairman can not direct OHVAG for anything.

I think your statement is accurate. It would have been better for him to say, "Go and explore and ensure that you work with OHVAG." I think the point was, tell staff, go explore this; and the unspoken would be, "Staff, you already have some OHV experts, make sure you include them." But I don't think there was any nefarious intent or he wasn't trying to "diss" OHVAG in any way. Wally Armer – Chairman Armer is a man of great integrity and he would never disparage a group that contributes so much to Arizona State Parks. They're not trying to usurp your authority, your expertise or anything; and I think it is – it creates a level of animosity we're trying to get rid of.

I appreciate your going on record, but you are looking at the glass as half empty and that – damn it, John, we are trying to get away from that. I'm doing everything I can to show this glass is half full; and just because the chairman didn't say – you know, he said, "Hey, go talk to this guy about their thing over in New Mexico," and he didn't mention you guys doesn't mean we are excluding you as part of this decision process.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yes, when it comes down to that level and you have it scheduled for these meetings, I've asked our members – our Board members – and nobody knew about these things to show up to. It hasn't been arranged with staff to say, "Okay, John, will you have one of the Board members show up? Thomas lives close, he can go to the Flagstaff one or Rebecca to the Tucson one; but we need a representative from OHVAG on that." I didn't see that, so – you know, it doesn't look good that way.

MS. ANTLE: And I think the fact that we got the information, not from State Parks – I got it from someone I don't even know; and I got that information a week ago and I'm trying to figure out – I mean, I don't know where this person got it from. So, I mean, did it come directly from State Parks?

MR. McARTHUR: We're very skittish.

MS. ANTLE: It's not so much that –

CHAIR SAVINO: Let's go in order so we can get it on the tape. Let me recognize you – Don, you've had your –

MR. FRENCH: Well, we sat down and had a meeting with you four months ago and said, "Let's be honest with each other. Let's work with each other." And, quite honestly, when I see you put out something like this – you're endorsing or you've been directed by a director that would do it, but you're not opposed to it; to change the whole organization of OHVAG which we are now, that in my eyes – that is not working with us; that is going behind our back trying to change what you have here. You're not working with, Bryan; and that's – I thought that's what we – I honestly thought when we left your meeting that day that we were going to work together and try to work this thing through. To me it's not –

DR. MARTYN: Mr. Chairman?

CHAIR SAVINO: Bryan.

DR. MARTYN: Don. I appreciate – the communication, I guess, in this case has failed. Had I been a part of this staff process to go as far as far as this? No. That's a failure on my part. I had no idea this was the – the steps they were taking to explore how somebody else does it in another state. So, I guess in that capacity, I've failed. But, we have a guy who is focused on this all the time.

You guys, you've got to remember, I am putting out fires every single day in this agency; and for me to focus on how are we doing this meeting with New Mexico – with this New Mexico rancher, did not even pop up on my radar. So I'm not trying to exclude you from anything. I would not exclude you. Are you kidding. I agree. I mean, I read about myself every month in your letters and it's generally – generally

[Overlapping conversations.]

DR. MARTYN: Now they're getting better – amen. But, I'm not trying to exclude you from anything. So, we're fixing this. I've got a guy now who will make sure that you're part of the equation. The fact that staff started working a process without communicating with me – “All right, boss, we're going to go check this out and we'll make sure that we didn't include OHVAG,” come on! I understand the skittish comment is right on. I get that. My policy is the same. I didn't know how they were going to go out and talk to this group. Should they have included you? Yes.

MR. FRENCH: You're asking for good – comments are good rapport without – do you know that the Blue Ribbon Coalition put out an alert about these meetings and about the – that's a big organization and they put out a national alert about “Attend these meetings and get your input because they're getting – State Parks is getting ready to” – you know when you have stuff like that going on, it's not good for what you want to accomplish. I'll tell you that.

CHAIR SAVINO: Bryan – okay, Jeff. The chair recognizes Jeff.

MR. PRINCE: I thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'd just like to add a little bit of information about the communication. I was new when these meetings were set up. I had no part in setting them up. But they were put on the calendar to meet the requirements of the Board, in answer to your question. So, I'm then put in the position to attend these meetings, ask these questions, gather information and prepare a report. I will be working with you. Don't feel like you're out in the cold on this.

We notified you guys – OHVAG – before the public was notified.

CHAIR SAVINO: You did?

MR. PRINCE: And in forming this packet we said, “Here's the process that we're going to go through.” It was done by email in the same week that the press release was released on our website; and then it's propagated through the internet via the press release. So, that's why you see the Blue Ribbon Coalition internet form and stuff like that.

Talking about this meeting, we really wanted people to be involved so I can get input as to what the public wants so that you guys can get input as to what the public wants.

CHAIR SAVINO: I know that Jeff you're new at this and I from this point on I have no doubt it's gonna change. Like I said – I'll state again on record, we have good rapport going with you, Bryan. It's just when we get reports from our constituents about this campaign going on –

MS. ANTLE: That's what they are.

CHAIR SAVINO: They're worried. They see this stuff that – it's referenced New Mexico, okay? And on their Board they have one of the positions: “One quiet recreationalist” –

MS. ANTLE: Can I speak to that?

CHAIR SAVINO: Yes.

MS. ANTLE: Just because the State – and just to give you a little background as to why we're a little skittish – this has happened about – I don't know if you were on the Board – I don't think anybody here was – but this happened about six or seven years ago where State Parks came in and said, "We need to have an environmentalist on the Board." Well, you know – or an agency person – which I don't understand why because we still have to go through NEPA or whatever agency there – whatever agency we go through, BLM whatever it happens to be – you guys all have to go through NEPA. So we have to follow through on those rules and regulations. So that's when we ended up with this "sportsman," which is not a problem. I don't have a problem with that.

But if you're going to put an "environmentalist" or "quiet recreationalist" on our group, then I mean, we need to be on their groups. But in the last four days, I've contacted Texas, New Mexico, Oregon, California and Colorado about their Sticker Program – and Washington – Washington doesn't have one. The input I got there is, Texas is not too bad, but they don't have any private land. Denver is probably – if you really wanted changes, Denver would be the one to look at. New Mexico is a disaster. They're not happy with the program. There's not an OHV person over there that's happy with it.

This is the research – that's what this is – the research I've done in the last four days. You've gotta – New Mexico is the worse one to follow up in the people I've looked at –

MR. KATZ: This is Paul, sorry to interrupt, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yes.

MR. KATZ: I just think we need to make sure we stick to the agenda. Bryan's purpose was to just make a – Bryan's purpose was to make a report and if we want to get into a discussion about OHVAG membership or Passport membership, it ought to be a specific agenda item.

MR. FRENCH: It is.

CHAIR SAVINO: It is. Paul, it is an agenda item, agenda item E-3. It is an agenda item that we're talking about and where the director – the State Parks Director issued a directive to – not – excuse me – the State Parks Chairman of the Board, Walter Armer, issued a directive to the Director, Bryan Martyn, to do a survey; and this is the issue we're bringing up where we're discussing. Since Bryan's here, that's why we're discussing it.

MR. KATZ: That's fine. I guess I just want to make sure that we stick to the substance and not get into an off the agenda colloquy about people's personal feelings. But, go ahead.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. Paul, do you have the agenda with you?

MR. KATZ: Yes I do. I have it sitting right here.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, so you keep us in – that's what you're here for, to keep us on track.

MR. KATZ: I don't want to interfere with the substance of your discussion. I just want to make sure we get through the agenda and that we take all the steps.

CHAIR SAVINO: I agree; and I appreciate that very much and you interrupt us if we're getting off it – please do.

Rebecca are you done with your –

MS. ANTLE: Yeah, I'm just – I mean, I've done a lot of research and I just want State Parks to know that right now our process is probably one of the best. California was the first one – and it's a mess. There's – I forget which one of these, but I've got a page like that on the restructuring of the California. Oregon is "iffy." Colorado is okay in the way they did it was, their non-voting members – if you have – if we – if somebody feels that we have to have the "quiet recreationalist" which I feel we don't need to; that would be the one to look at. But New Mexico was the last one to look at.

These guys were all very helpful. I didn't go to – I went to the actual groups themselves and the users. So, I'd be happy to help you look at all of that because I mean, you really need to look at it. And constituents, like John said, that's the people we have to convince. And on something like this they see and they see those notices and they go, "Okay, what's this all about?" And you can look at them and go, "I haven't got a clue." "Well, you're on the Board, you should know." And it makes us look bad. We have enough trouble trying to keep our people happy with paying money to play. I mean, it comes back on us like it does on you.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, Thomas, you have anything else?

MR. McARTHUR: No.

CHAIR SAVINO: Don't?

MR. FRENCH: No.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. We work hard, you know, towards this – and that's – you related to it in the – in the last Chairman Reports I put out – that we do have a good rapport developing and I hate to see that deteriorate. I know you're working harder towards this and something like this can get out of hand when they see it. All we're asking – we're saying that we would like to have the input on that and the direction. We always are open and I like this idea of having a forum to go out and see what the public wants because we need that once in a while. We're hearing it from our people, but we want to hear it from the – but also take the value of your group and have them involved in it. Okay?

DR. MARTYN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Just – I guess the only thing is I understand you are "spring-loaded" as an organization to that – to distrust; and that is a reputation that is earned. I get that part. I'm trying to earn a different reputation for State Parks and all I'm asking for is – allow me to demonstrate through action that you don't need to be "spring-loaded" to that. I think it's wise to question process, but to get the entire community up in arms, "Oh, here it comes. State Parks" –

CHAIR SAVINO: I haven't done that yet and you've seen me do that.

[Overlapping conversations.]

CHAIR SAVINO: Bryan, you've seen me do that. Okay? And you know that I wouldn't feel bad about doing that, but I don't want to do that. I want to work with State Parks. The last thing I want to do is go out there and rile up the troops. So, that's why we're trying to solve it and that's why it's good that you're here. We discuss this stuff and we get it out. We hear your side of the viewpoint. Now your side is going to be through Jeff. Jeff's just started so a lot of times that's why we're asking you point blank on this; so I don't have to go out and rile up the troops. I don't want to. I really don't. I'm not that bad of a guy.

DR. MARTYN: Mr. Chair – John, I agree! I agree. My goal is to create a level of trust in the organization – our organizations. I have work to do. Jeff has some

work to do with staff because there is a level of distrust there, as well. We have some communication barriers. We're working to fix those things. I think that message is very important to – for fear of going off agenda – to get the message out to the community that the fact that we just looked at another state doesn't mean I want to divorce from OHVAG and I want to go do something else. That was not the intent. It was just: "Let's go take a look. This guy's got some ideas. He says we don't do it well. Go look and see what it is."

I think Rebecca's input is – that's exactly what we need. You tell me what works best; and if you come back and say, "Arizona works best," by all means. If Colorado works better, well then as a body, let's look at Colorado. But I'm not married to any New Mexico ideas or anything. I'm very happy with the organization the way it's structured right now. The fact that the chairman asked to look at something else does not mean that he wants to go to greener grass. That's not the intent. I know that's what you're taking it as, but that is not –

CHAIR SAVINO: No, we're just protecting our interests.

DR. MARTYN: And I know if you – we are there with you and anxious to see us move forward together, encourage all the community to come out and contribute in a positive, contributory manner and not in a confrontational, "don't you dare screw me" kind of manner. Which is kind of the focus on getting you – Mr. Chairman, that's all I have. I have to start driving.

CHAIR SAVINO: I want to get you out of here. I just want to make one last statement, Bryan.

DR. MARTYN: Yes.

CHAIR SAVINO: It's that I would – I'm requesting that we – like I stated earlier – that we have a representative at those meetings, those open meetings that we have; and also prior to you going to the Board because you've been instructed to go to the Board with a recommendation, that you sit down with your Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group and discuss this and we can iron out – and we go as a unified group to the State Parks Board.

DR. MARTYN: Relative to this agenda, Mr. Chairman – relative to this agenda item you have my word that we will meet prior to any decision or presentation to Arizona State Parks Board facilitated through the OHV Coordinator.

CHAIR SAVINO: Gotcha! Okay, anybody – and other members have a statement? Mr. Moore?

MR. McARTHUR: Yes, I do. I want to say I appreciate your driving the three-and-a-half hours to sit here for a short period of time and drive back. That shows me that you do value us and our time and the constituency that we represent.

DR. MARTYN: I'm trying to keep you from lobbing off our head in the press.

MR. McARTHUR: Yes, that's a little self-preservation.

CHAIR SAVINO: Me?!

MR. McARTHUR: So, thank you.

DR. MARTYN: You're very welcome.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, thank you very much and have a safe drive home.

DR. MARTYN: Thank you very much. This is our guy. This is your guy.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, I'd like it to be on record that Director Martyn has left to go home. So, we're going to continue on with the meeting. Paul, do you have anything at this – any comments to make.

MR. KATZ: No, I think you guys are doing fine. Go ahead.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. I'm going to go on to – as soon as I figure out where I am – let's go to "Calls to the Public." Can you hand me that tablet down there, please?

We didn't have our regular forms in front of us. In "Calls to the Public," is there any? Lynn, you were going to ask the questions if it had anything to do with BLM?

LYNN: Correct.

CHAIR SAVINO: Joan Beck, did you have anything? Four-wheelers?

MS. BECK: Not yet. I would like to be able to make a comment if the occasion arises. Is that all right?

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, just ask me at the time. Just raise your hand and I'll recognize you. And Phil?

PHIL: Same as Joan.

MS. ANTLE: They're a tag team.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. I'm going to go on from there. D, item – agenda item D, "Reports, Off-Highway Vehicle Program Partner Reports." Do we have anybody here from Arizona Game and Fish or BLM? Are you just here to add – are you here to report?

MR. MARCEAU: That's what I got -- information from Bob and Bill Gibson.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, just to answer?

MR. MARCEAU: Well, just to let you know where we're at; and if you've got any questions, then answer the questions.

MR. McARTHUR: Who are you?

MR. MARCEAU: Len Marceau. I'm an outdoor recreation planner for the local BLM Office here in Kingman.

MR. McARTHUR: It seems to me that a question came up earlier about mapping.

MR. MARCEAU: Yeah.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yes, the chair recognizes Don. Yes, he's a Call to the Public – that's an agenda item. Let's wait -- if you don't mind, we'll wait and you can answer those questions. Maybe – what the Call to the Public is if somebody has a statement to make about something. They stand up and make a generalized statement. The way we handle them, normally, is that if there's an expert in the house that we have on a specific item, then we will let you address that item. Okay?

Staff Reports, Jeff Prince will introduce himself to the group. Go for it, Jeff, you have the floor.

MR. PRINCE: I guess Len needs to address his report.

CHAIR SAVINO: He didn't have a report. He's just going to answer questions when it comes time during the meeting.

MR. PRINCE: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This is Jeff Prince speaking, Arizona State Parks Off-Highway Vehicle Program Coordinator. I just started on October 15. I joined the team to support our off-highway mission. I've been here two-and-a-half weeks and I've actually accomplished quite a bit so far. I've done a field visit to the Lake Havasu area to look at the Standard Wash area. I look forward to talking to your guys about that project in the future as it develops.

Bob Baldwin, Arizona State Parks, has transitioned the support and management of this group over to me; so, I'll be preparing your next agendas and things of that nature and communicating directly with you. I gave everyone my card today so you have my email address, you have my phone number and I encourage you to contact me whenever you need to because I will be taking on that role.

For those of you who don't know me, I'm a landscape architect trained in natural resource management, trail management, trail development and design. I was brought on to State Parks to fill this role and add those type capabilities to it, but also to bring on planning and graphic support as well. So I will be working with Bob as a team. Before you just worked with Bob and he's been wearing all these hats. I'm going to take one of those hats. You heard from Bryan earlier that a lot of focus is going to be put on me to support the OHV program, get the word out about it, work with OHVAG to accomplish our mission and help facilitate success of our projects.

I'll be happy to answer questions throughout this meeting to the best of my ability. Realizing that I am new, many of the agenda items I've been briefed on and I do have notes. So, please do ask me questions.

CHAIR SAVINO: Are you going to blame it on the previous administration ?

MR. PRINCE: You know, that's a legitimate question. This position's been unfilled for quite a bit of time. My intent and the reason I believe I was hired is that I said I would step in, pick up the ball and run with it. We're in a difficult position in State Parks, you know, financing all the different things that are going on. OHVAG is important to me and supporting it is important to me; so, I'm going to look at where we're at, what my predecessors have done, what the staff has done currently. I want to pick up on their successes and move those things forward and then we're going to fix some of the issues that are outstanding. After those things are wrapped up – which I'm in this process of gathering those notes right now – I have my own programs based on community input that I would like to forward. Getting information out about where to ride, making Arizona State Parks the “go-to” central location on how to access federal, state and municipal lands for off-highway recreation.

These are needs that are expressed by the public I'm answerable to, as well as to Dr. Martyn. I serve at his pleasure. I also support you guys. So, that's what I'm doing. I really can't – I'm not worried about what happened in the past. I'm worried about what's happening in the future and we'll deal with the past so we can get to a better future.

CHAIR SAVINO: Right. Any board members have any questions?

[No verbal response.]

CHAIR SAVINO: I've stated this before. I was part of the hiring process for you and I'm excited about having you on board and I would encourage you to get with the different – we have representatives from all aspects of the off-highway vehicle community on our Board, Jeeps, for instance. Get with each one of our members when looking into these projects so you get a wide idea – a better idea of what's needed out there.

MR. PRINCE: Absolutely.

CHAIR SAVINO: Thank you.

MR. PRINCE: The chairman was on my interview committee, as you guys know. One thing that you might not know is I'm actually an off-highway enthusiast myself. You saw the truck that I drove up in today. I have crossed the state using dual sport motorcycle, I grew up on ATVs. So, I hope that that's a level of assurance that Director Martyn would like OHV needs to be attended to and he put someone in place who knows how that works, because that's part of my lifestyle.

CHAIR SAVINO: That's one of the reasons – that's one of the ways you got hired is because you're an off-road enthusiast. We wanted somebody on there who knew what we were talking about when we speak, so, thank you.

MR. PRINCE: I look forward to working with you.

MR. FRENCH: There has been a lot of – I'm sure you've heard – issues between staff and us; and I'd like to think we can call you when we need to, and you us, also, if you've got a question about, what happened here or just have communications where we can solve some of these problems we've had in the past.

MR. PRINCE: Absolutely. And, Don, I'd like to say that, you know, please include me in the loop on all communications with Park Staff, as Bryan said, I'm kind of your "go-to" man. So you can direct things to me. Just so I'm aware of them. That helps to inform me in what we do as we move forward.

CHAIR SAVINO: You know to keep it in line so Paul doesn't get on us and the Attorney General's Office, we have to – any communications between the group will come to you and then you take that and send it out.

MR. PRINCE: Correct.

CHAIR SAVINO: We don't expect you to reconstruct it, but you said that it goes to you and then you send it out so we comply with those open meeting laws. Right Paul?

MR. KATZ: You got it!

[Laughter.]

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, I'm going to go on, then. Agenda item (b) under Staff Reports, "Update on fiscal year 2013 revenue in the Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund and the amount available for projects." I'm going to turn it back over to Jeff.

MR. PRINCE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This is Jeff Prince speaking. In the OHVAG packet there is the standard summary and I believe you're accustomed to receiving that states the various account balances for the Off-Highway Vehicle Funds, the fuel tax, the decal stickers. I refer to attachment D.2.b.1 which should be the first attachment in your packet. This is what it looks like. Bob Baldwin prepares these figures and his staff. I will be happy to entertain any questions that you have. But realize that I'll need to go back to Bob and respond to you via email if I can't generate a clear answer for you at this moment.

CHAIR SAVINO: I just to state, how much is the total balance in the Off-Highway Vehicle Fund right this minute – Sticker Fund?

MR. PRINCE: Well, the Arizona State Parks OHV Revenue Fund according to this report is \$627,299.61. The financial year 2013 OHV Revenue Fund from decal stickers, State Park's portion of that, year-to-date, I believe is \$244,800.89.

CHAIR SAVINO: What you're looking at there is just for – you see that amount there. You're just talking about July, August and September. You look at those months there.

MR. PRINCE: Right.

CHAIR SAVINO: Go to the back of that page there. A more realistic number is that \$1,944,928.51.

MR. PRINCE: Well, I was getting there. That was the financial year to date.

CHAIR SAVINO: Right, so that's what we have in the fund right now. This is just – what you just reported up above there was the money that was earned for those three months?

MR. PRINCE: Right. 2013 year to date.

CHAIR SAVINO: What I want to know is how much money do we have sitting in the fund right now that we haven't – that we have available for projects?

MR. PRINCE: Okay. Thank you for that clarification, Mr. Chairman. You know, the Off-Highway Vehicle Fund currently has an unallocated balance that appears to be \$1,821,171.20.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, that's more accurate. That's what I wanted to get on record there. That money is continuing which creates problems we're going to address later on in the agenda – how to get that money out to the people – to the programs. Okay.

Is there anything – yes, Rebecca.

MS. ANTLE: I have a couple questions on the budget. On the second page under "OHV Program Administration," I'm just curious of what "personal services" are. If you could explain personal services, ERE, professional services and I guess the in-state travel was the other question. I'm just curious what those are?

MR. PRINCE: Could you just tell me which page you're on?

MS. ANTLE: I'm on the second page, D.2.b.2. It's the same thing under State Parks Operating Budget. I was just wondering exactly what those are.

MR. PRINCE: I haven't been briefed on my programs' budget as of yet as Off-Highway Vehicle Program Coordinator. I'm looking to meet with Doris from our office to go through that. There hasn't been time since I've started to be briefed on all these aspects. It's important to be able to explain to you what those things are, but they're also important so I can implement my programs.

CHAIR SAVINO: Wait, if you don't mind, on the – some of those questions you were asked. On the travel, I was seeing one that had on there for some time and it turned – that Bob Baldwin asked the financial person and their reply really wasn't that – he said he made a mistake.

MR. FRENCH: There was \$7,500 then and now it's \$10,000.

CHAIR SAVINO: So it keeps going up. Would you please – and I know you can't answer that now – would you please at our next meeting have an answer for that question of Board Member Antle – that Rebecca asked.

MS. ANTLE: That's like \$260,000 – and that's just in the OHV Program. When you get down to the State's operating budget, I guess the \$433,000 is what they get from us, but there's another \$171,000? Well, that's another \$25,000. So, that's an awful lot of money. I'm just curious.

CHAIR SAVINO: Last time I added it all up it comes to about \$1.4 million.

MS. ANTLE: Well, if you add the two together, yeah!

CHAIR SAVINO: Plus you have that in the RTP money. They get 12 percent of the RTP money for their operating budget also. So, are you clear on what the question was?

MR. PRINCE: Yes, specifically, like – to know about the OHV Program Administration Budget, what each of those aspects are for, why the balances are what they are?

MS. ANTLE: I know everything runs off of acronyms, but I have no clue what an ERE is or an OOE. I'm sure you guys probably do, but –

MR. PRINCE: Well, I'd like to insert a little comedy here: Neither do I.

[Laughter.]

MR. PRINCE: Once I'm briefed, this is really the great part about me being new in being a part of this organization, is that as I gain that information, I'm going to share it back with you. So I will report on this to you via email so you'll have it before your next meeting.

CHAIR SAVINO: We just go over this now four years down the road and you're still saying that you don't know.

MR. PRINCE: No, this has been critically important to me, but the staff that I needed to explain it to me, has not been in the office.

CHAIR SAVINO: Thank you very much. Rebecca, do you have any other?

MS. ANTLE: No, that was just it. I just want to know what the money's for.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, and it will be answered at the next meeting. Don, do you have anything?

MR. FRENCH: Yeah I do, actually. While we're on this, I notice on our project status forms we have here, that there are a lot of projects that were turned back. Some of them were completed under budget. Anyway, I'm curious I have never – I asked Bob last time and he said he'd get to me this time and he probably didn't explain it to you, but I'm curious – I don't see where the money in this budget form ever comes back from these grants. It never gets turned back in to this budget. Can you find out where – if that happens, where that is on this budget form?

MR. PRINCE: Yes.

MR. FRENCH: Because there's quite a bit of money and it's like there's \$60,000 in one project, "the kids in the forest" thing.

CHAIR SAVINO: Kids in the Woods Program.

MR. FRENCH: Kids in the Woods.

CHAIR SAVINO: That was \$80,000.

MR. FRENCH: They didn't do the project and there's a lot of money out there and I don't see it getting put back into the Fund.

CHAIR SAVINO: If it is there's not a column for it.

MR. FRENCH: I don't see it. Maybe there is, I just can't see it.

MR. PRINCE: Thanks, Don. So to clarify it what we'd like to know is what happens to the unused grant funding that's been allocated to a project; and then where does it –

MR. FRENCH: Where does it show it going back into the fund?

MR. PRINCE: I'll be happy to report on that.

CHAIR SAVINO: And you will get – in regards to the – because we have all the projects listed here, for instance, Kingman Route Evaluations, \$30,000 – we need follow up on that. We haven't had year-end in quite a few years on whether that money has actually gone out to that project. I don't know if this is the right time. Can we ask – be an honor representative on this? I see a project here was six – the date funded was 06/20/2012.

MR. FRENCH: Why don't we wait 'til we get –

CHAIR SAVINO: What? Get that part of it?

MR. FRENCH: No, we're on the budget.

CHAIR SAVINO: Oh, I thought this was part of the budget. Excuse me. Then I'll go on. Below there they're talking about D.2.b.1, OHV Revenue, are there any other questions on that?

[No verbal response.]

CHAIR SAVINO: No, then I'm gonna go on. Attachment D.2.b.2, are there any – on the ledger, any questions on that?

MS. ANTLE: That's the one I questioned.

CHAIR SAVINO: Are there any more on that?

[No verbal response.]

CHAIR SAVINO: Then let's go on and go to Attachment D.2.b.3, OHV Funds Status Fiscal Year 2013 September. Now, can I say that?

MR. FRENCH: No.

CHAIR SAVINO: No? Please do me a favor, Jeff?

MR. PRINCE: Uhm hum.

CHAIR SAVINO: From now on let's number all these pages so we know where we are.

MR. PRINCE: I didn't prepare this packet, but I'll be happy to do that.

CHAIR SAVINO: D.2.b.3.

MR. FRENCH: We've been through it?

CHAIR SAVINO: We have been through that one?

MR. FRENCH: Yeah, pretty much.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, are there any questions on D.2.b.3?

[No verbal response.]

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, I'm going to go on to Agenda Item C, Update on the status of all projects funded under the Sticker Fund Project Selection process and Statewide OHV Program Project Funding process. My gosh! Okay, I'm gonna go

– since we have a BLM representative here, I'd like to know on the Kingman – now I can't do it. Please give me an update on the – let's go to the – well, this should be a done project. We put in RTP Funds for a total of \$85,262 back in '07, on the BLM Kingman Field Office Cerbat Mountain, Route inventory of 470 miles of roads on public and AZ State Parks – State Lands within the Cerbat Mountains and White Hills units. Installation of trail signs at the intersections of the routes inventoried. Print 500 access guides for each unit. Is that your access guides?

MR. MARCEAU: Yes.

CHAIR SAVINO: Are you out of them? You printed 500 of them. What's going on there?

MR. MARCEAU: Mr. Chairman, we're – right now – next week we have a contractor from Advance Resource Solutions coming in to finish up – let me back up for a second. We have back-to-back years of RTP Trails. One was '06, I believe, which should have been Music Mountain and Crozier. In '07, it was Cerbat Mountain and White Hills.

Now, next week, Advance Resource Solutions is coming in to finish off the inventory of the Cerbat Mountain Unit. Primarily they're going to be using motorcycles for like maybe 15, 20 miles, not very much. It was the most inaccessible routes that their inventory crew could do before. Also, they're going to have a crew in to finish off maybe the last 30 miles of the Crozier Unit. So by the end of this month, all our inventories will be completed.

CHAIR SAVINO: And then are you – what happens after you do this inventory?

MR. MARCEAU: At the same time we have another crew coming in, starting on the 7th, they will be finishing off the signage of those areas. So by the end of this month, the inventory will be completed and the signage will be completed. The access guides will probably be delayed until we – then in four – let me back up. We have – because you mentioned one thing, Don, about the \$30,000 – we have a State Park grant for \$30,000 to pay for route evaluation. We are starting four weeks in basically what we call FY – fiscal year '13, which is all October until September. The four weeks are two weeks in January and then I believe our man has got set up one week in June and one week in August. That will be our four weeks of route evaluation.

At that point, I estimate we will have one more week of route evaluation; and this is the staff, BLM and Game and Fish in our office. I figure we'll have one more week to be completed, which will take place in January of '14. At which point your inventory is completed, your signage is completed, your route evaluation is completed; then we will be taking it to club meetings – Rotary Clubs, Sportsmen Clubs – this is before the general public meetings to let people know where we're at. We're planning on two years, FY '14 and '15 to basically write our EPA, get public comments, make – the manager will make the decision on our one travel management plan for approximately 4,500, plus or minus, miles in the Kingman Field Office.

CHAIR SAVINO: Let me ask you a question?

MR. MARCEAU: Yes.

CHAIR SAVINO: During this route evaluation you've gone to Advance Resources and have them come in and do it.

MR. MARCEAU: Yes.

CHAIR SAVINO: Have you worked with the local Jeep clubs and ATV clubs in getting their input on this route evaluation?

MR. MARCEAU: On some – on abusing – no, let me back up here – the Black Mountains and the Hualapai Mountains. They field test our inventories to make sure the routes are all collected. You know, make sure everything goes – you know, I’ll just do a side step here – When I first got here 20 years ago, Bill and Joan were members of the Mohave County Trails Association. I learned back then through them and others and club meetings that one thing that the users have the biggest problem with was incomplete information. So I made sure in the last 20 years here, through all the groups, so they know that when we go out and inventory something we’ve got all the data. We don’t want to come off and surprise them with areas that were not inventoried, or things that we missed. It may still happen; but like I said, when we enter the clubs and the men will be looking at those maps – and this pre-NEPA.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, so – let me understand this better. When you come up you work with the local clubs and get – completed this – or you’re going to complete this routing. At that point – I’m trying to relate to this. I deal with the Forest Service quite a bit – when they come to the public with this map; they already have a pre-conceived, motorized – non-motorist, open, closed – they have that on there so it’s not just a spaghetti thing of all different trails and then you go and you get the input from the public. They already have a “we’re not closed.” In this section, X amount of trails – miles of trails we want to close here and this here will be open. Then you go to the public for an open forum. How does it work in your field office?

MR. MARCEAU: What I’m planning – what you’re talking about is what I’m talking about during the NEPA process, where they’ve got, you know, half of us learn the hard way. We go through this for 30 days in the summertime when everyone’s up north. Very seldom is it a much longer period during NEPA. I’m talking pre-NEPA where we show them the routes, you know, to make sure, one, that they’re all on there; and two, basically, for them to see that all the routes are there.

This is basically – it’s like a “heads-up.” So when they see there are routes missing, they can tell us right then and there so we can go inventory whatever it was; because we have nine units and so we want – I want to make sure that all of them are inventoried and on the list for the public to review. It’s called a pre-NEPA, pre-public. In other words, certain clubs – like I say – the Sportsmen, Bullhead Full Riggers, Cerbat Range Rompers – I think there’s one down in Bullhead called the Mohave Valley ATV Club. I don’t go to their meetings, but they will be able to approve them.

CHAIR SAVINO: So you are including all the different –

MR. MARCEAU: And probably all of Lake Havasu because part of their playground, even though they’re Havasu, is in the Hualapai Mountains just right here. This is the Hualapai Mountains because obviously in the summertime, they come up and play in here. So, that’s my plan. That’s what – we have Jena House [phonetic] as the District Travel Management Coordinator; and I see it’s probably going to be [unintelligible] because that’s her position. What I’m doing is – the last four, five – around six – it’s gotta be six years’ worth – I’m starting the ball [unintelligible], then she’s going to pick it up. But to answer your question, Mr. Chairman, it’s yes. I want to get those maps when they’re completed out to the users so then they can make their comments before we go to NEPA and the general public.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, the chair recognizes Don.

MR. FRENCH: Okay, I'm a little confused here. But anyway, we have a project for the Music Mountains and access guides and our thing says, "Project completed as proposed." That's not true, right?

MR. MARCEAU: The timeline has expired and a couple of your extensions. And so the timeline has ended. I have to turn in a final report to Bob. I'd say off of that, everything – inventory was completed, signage – actually a couple of those were accurate – closed, technically. The one I know that is not – will not be completed at that park with that money would be the access guides. That will come later.

MR. FRENCH: Can you give me a time frame on the – when you think that, number one, the travel management plan – when you think that; and also, are you going to wait until after you have the TMP to get the guides out or what's your –

MR. MARCEAU: The last question first, yes. Because the last thing we want to do is provide guides that are going to be changed. You know –

MR. FRENCH: Inaccurate.

MR. MARCEAU: Yes. And so that's why I was never wholeheartedly into having the guides – it was requested by State Parks to have the guides as part of this inventory and route evaluation process – and signage – inventory and signage. Because if you really look at it, you inventory it, you sign it, you get public comments, your EAs, NEPA – then it's signed – what stays open, what's closed; and you produce the maps.

Now to answer your first question, when do we see the end of the – the light at the end of the tunnel? By '14 - '15, is what I see. I'm not – I'm saying like about a year-and-a-half, plus; because we're not looking at trying to rush this through. We're trying to be realistic. It's probably going to be like a two-year process, you know, with the public and all the comments. So I'm saying to you, Don, probably around fiscal year '15.

MR. FRENCH: Then no [unintelligible] 'til after that?

MR. MARCEAU: Yeah, probably FY '16.

CHAIR SAVINO: Are you going to come back and ask us for more funding for these guides; and also along the same lines, stickers from State Parks saying this is OHV funding? The public doesn't know that this money's coming from State funding. We need to get that out there that this is – your money – these trails are funded by the OHV community.

MR. MARCEAU: Your first question about needing money for the guides, it's my understanding the guides have been worked on at our State office; and that they've already been worked on and I'm gonna – you know what happens when you assume – that – if it's already there in terms of an electronic version then it's being in the process.

CHAIR SAVINO: How can you do that, Len, to put the cart before the horse? You put out a guide – I assume that guide's going to have trails on it; and if you don't have those trails established because not every single road out there – you may be closing some of the roads.

MR. MARCEAU: Let me back up. It's general statements on the guide, not the maps themselves. It's generic statements on the guide.

CHAIR SAVINO: Oh, okay.

MR. MARCEAU: Things like, “tread [unintelligible] need no trace,” maybe certain areas of the state – maybe we have desert [unintelligible]. Things like that. Sorry ‘bout that.

CHAIR SAVINO: So what did we pay for in 2006 at the Music Mountain, \$104,000 –

MR. FRENCH: They only spent \$58,071.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yes, they only spent \$58,781, so, that’s for that –

[Overlapping conversations.]

CHAIR SAVINO: And then, again, the Cerbat Mountains – well, you’ve spent pretty much all of it. We awarded \$85,262 and you spent \$84,911.

MR. MARCEAU: And, again Mr. Chairman, primarily – not just primarily – we didn’t [unintelligible] contracts, inventory and signage.

CHAIR SAVINO: Gotcha. Wouldn’t it – something’s always puzzled me and I’m going to pick on you because of it, okay, because you’re here. Wouldn’t it make more sense – you get this \$85,000 or whatever it is, and you hire this Resource – people who aren’t aware of this property at all – wouldn’t it be better to put it out to the local clubs to go an inventory – and Rebecca, you have something on that? No?

MS. ANTLE: No, because Resource Management – Rec Solutions comes out, they have their own vehicles, they have their own GPS equipment and they will go out – they’ve been doing it all over the state for what – 15 years?

MR. FRENCH: So they would generate the reports?

MS. ANTLE: Yes, we would like them. That’s why I had a question for you about that. We would like them to have done all the Tucson BLM area that way – which they didn’t and Coronado didn’t do it. When you say that they’re going to come out and they’re going to truth your routes –

MR. MARCEAU: Field truth.

MS. ANTLE: Now how did you weekly do your routes? Did you do it like Coronado did, or did you actually go out there and look at the routes?

MR. MARCEAU: We went on – and I’m “old school,” okay; so I’m [unintelligible]. I have DRGGs. I have no clue what the hell that is.

[Laughter.]

MR. MARCEAU: They have electronics set up. I have no clue. Our GIS person, probably three – somewhere in the ‘03’s, ‘04’s, something like that – she gets on the photographic maps, electronically, and she comes up with the routes. We ignore -- since then we have another GIS person who’s currently in position. She also looks at aerial photos and if something’s suspicious like a route, she puts that in there. What we have learned – like I mentioned something right there; and I think you said something like 470 miles – every single unit of ours was way low of what reality was on the ground. So when we go up and we GPS, you know, or the contractor does, the [unintelligible] for “field-truthing” in the Hualapai and the Blacks – and they were coming up with routes not listed that we have. So that put the field truth – what I call “field-truthing.” Meaning, they’re field-truthing our data.

What happened is – I don’t know the exact numbers for everything combined, but I can give you an example like we’ve got the Hualapai at something like maybe 700 miles. In reality they turned out to be 900 plus. The big difference was the

Blacks. I think that was – we estimated around 500, maybe six. That was over a thousand miles. Each unit in reality was much higher than what the GIS person looking at topographic maps, aerial photos – it turned out to be much, much higher which took us longer to inventory because now all of a sudden what we thought was 500 miles turned out to be 900, you know, whatever – something like that.

MS. ANTLE: Rec Solutions also will tell you what type of usage is on those trails. Like if you have – if there's type of usage, or if there's ATV usage of four-wheel usage – and that's another thing that they do.

MR. MARCEAU: Just to let you know, we'll get to that. We had Rec Solutions – Recreation Solutions, Inc., and that switched. They did not come through with some info, that's why we have Advanced Resource Solutions. We had them for four years, I believe. They have people who just specialize on [unintelligible]. They have multiple crews with Jeeps. They have different crews – sometimes the same – that do the signage. In other words, they have subcontractors that specialize in the route inventory.

CHAIR SAVINO: All right. The whole crux of my questioning here is that I don't want it to end up like the Havasu thing did where they put out something – I want all – I want it to be transparent. If we're funding this thing, I want the local clubs – I want everybody to be happy so they come back and then we don't hear, "Look it, they're taking everything away from us." If it was – Havasu could have been solved a lot quicker there. They had it pulled from the Jeep pool there. They could have had that solved. That's what I want to solve there.

MR. MARCEAU: And that's why, Mr. Chairman – that's why I say I want these meetings. Once we have the input – we can go out to these clubs before the actual NEPA process for public review, because we want to have this pretty much tied up before we go to the public. We don't want to – like you said, Havasu – come out and here it is -- and then even [unintelligible], you know, there are routes here that we've granted – we checked [unintelligible]. There's this, there's this, you know, [unintelligible], the stuff that's east of town –

CHAIR SAVINO: Well, what that leads to is that people – then the rumor gets out, "BLM is closing everything down," and we don't want that. Don you had some questions here?

MR. FRENCH: Again, your time frame. You're going to be done with your route inventories soon?

MR. MARCEAU: I'm thinking January of '14 – no wait!

MR. FRENCH: You said route evaluation or inventories?

MR. MARCEAU: Inventory should be completed this month, November.

MR. FRENCH: Okay, November; and then what next? I'm trying to understand two or three years down the line.

MR. MARCEAU: Yeah, the inventory should be completed this month. Route evaluation will be four weeks in the calendar year '13. I imagine a couple weeks in January, one June and one August. I see a week in January '14. At which point then we will present to the different OHV clubs, sportsmen's clubs – different clubs in town. That's what I see, Don. I'm not going to be around for that, but this is what I perceive. I'll be retired before '15.

MR. FRENCH: I think we just found the problem.

[Laughter.]

MR. FRENCH: Just kidding.

MR. MARCEAU: That's what I see, '14 and '15 is meeting with the clubs, showing people the routes, the whole NEPA process. Summer of '15, the manager signs the AA – signs the decision for all this and then the maps are made; and then we're ready to go, summer of '15.

CHAIR SAVINO: Great, sounds good!

MR. MARCEAU: That's what I perceive.

CHAIR SAVINO: All right. Thomas, you have anything?

MR. McARTHUR: No, I'm good.

CHAIR SAVINO: Don, you have anything else?

MR. FRENCH: I'm good.

CHAIR SAVINO: Rebecca?

[No verbal response.]

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, thank you very much for that report. Jeff, do you have anything?

MR. MARCEAU: Mr. Chairman, could I ask, do you have any questions on the Sticker Fund? Because that was another one that Bob – I'm finishing out the Sticker Fund. That was the very first year for us getting some money; and maybe I shouldn't have brought that up to you, but that –

CHAIR SAVINO: I think that was a 6/20/2012, Route Evaluations, the \$30,000?

MR. MARCEAU: That's all the RTP grant.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, then where's the Sticker Fund? You took money from us?

MR. MARCEAU: Yes.

CHAIR SAVINO: And I don't know?

MR. MARCEAU: [Unintelligible.]

[Laughter.]

CHAIR SAVINO: That's OHV Signage, Kiosk?

MR. MARCEAU: Yeah.

CHAIR SAVINO: 2010? Okay, that's \$10,000.

MR. MARCEAU: And if you want to wait for me to comment on that, again, if you want me to comment on it now?

CHAIR SAVINO: Go for it!

MR. MARCEAU: Okay. I just finished the report because Bob sent me – they were closing it out – and what we did – we were able to do – because even though we didn't spend any money on the Route 66 to Ramada Kiosk, we did purchase and install with the [unintelligible] four-wheelers and Hualapai Four-Wheelers. Upper and lower [unintelligible], Ramada Kiosk and Sleeping Princess Trails. We installed some additional fiberglass Polaris trail signs because [unintelligible]. With the help of the Hualapai Four-Wheelers, we installed just in the past year, a lower and upper kiosk for the Moss Wash OHV Trail. We can also purchase a [unintelligible] kiosk. If you go down Hualapai Mountain Road, you'll drive right by it. At mile post five, there's a cattle guard on your right as you're

heading down the mountain set back about maybe 100 feet – maybe 120 feet. That was installed by the Boy Scouts.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, I have questions on this thing. Do all these kiosks that you just mentioned, and signs, do they have identification that this money came from the Off-Highway Vehicle Sticker Fund budget?

MR. MARCEAU: No. And when you first mentioned that earlier, I did a [unintelligible]. I've gotta contact Bob in order to –

CHAIR SAVINO: No. Okay, from now on you contact Jeff. Bob is just for the grant and I would appreciate that anything that – go to Jeff on everything; and Jeff will direct it to Bob or the appropriate partner. But Jeff is our contact on that.

MR. MARCEAU: Sure.

CHAIR SAVINO: And then he will take care of it.

MR. MARCEAU: All right.

CHAIR SAVINO: I appreciate it. We are working – Don and I, this year – what we do is we get – every winter we come down and we go down the mountain. I live in the White Mountains. I come down here and we go through this area. We're going to concentrate on the stuff [unintelligible] this year a little bit more; and see what it is. Then we can report and see how we can repair – fix trails and put money back into the OHV trails. So we will be doing that. We're working with Jena House and also Jeff has been involved to do Standard Wash, to develop that area down by Havasu. So, we want to get that money out and it's, you know, near and dear to us in the western part of the state that we need to get that money out.

Thank you very much. I appreciate it.

MR. MARCEAU: You're welcome.

CHAIR SAVINO: I'm going to go on to agenda item D, as in dog, an Update on State Parks Website OHV Pages. I'd like to turn it over to Jeff.

MR. PRINCE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. That I can report on as I've been working on it. We are in the process of making new information available on the website. If you visit, AZ StateParks, dot gov, backslash OHV, it has been reorganized a bit, which is under our contract that started last year with a consultant – with a media company – to rejuvenate some of the content, organize it so it's more accessible to the public. That contract is coming to an end. I reviewed the five videos that the media company has prepared and we're going to do some editing on those and we might reduce it to three videos just to make it more manageable for our purposes. We'll be putting those on the website, which we hope to engage the public because there's a lot of information on the pages in terms of law, how Sticker Funds are used, and we needed something that grabs people's attention so they're inspired to dig deeper into the website.

CHAIR SAVINO: If I may? Because we're involved in this thing – and I'm going to ask the audience right now, have you received – are any of you receiving that monthly newsletter that comes from – has my chairman's report in there?

SPEAKER: Yes.

CHAIR SAVINO: It has my picture. You see it? It's a nice picture.

[Laughter.]

CHAIR SAVINO: Are you receiving it? The intent, Jeff, is to bring you up to date on this website. We put \$50,000 in it a year ago – over a year ago – to do this; and

another \$50,000 we granted in an extension on that. What our intent was to do – and I still haven't seen it. I looked at it yesterday before -- you know, when I got on my computer. We want a website that anybody coming into the state – the “snow birds,” they have no idea where to ride, what have you – anything about our rules – that they can type in Arizona plus OHV and go straight to that website and get any information on where Jeep trails are, what the rules and regulations in the state, on the Sticker Fund and what have you. So they have that website to go to. We don't have that. They don't know. People coming from other states don't know to – “I want to go off -roading. Let's go to State Parks website and see what they have available.” It doesn't do it.

Well, 99 percent – in 99 percent of the state parks in Arizona you can't ride an ATV in it. So how – what would make you think that they're going to go to the website. So we need something. That's why we paid the money out of our OHV funds. Not to enhance State Park's website, we wanted something where the OHV community can go to and get the information they need easily. We haven't received that yet. You can go right now and look on that. You have to go – it's one thing going to Arizona State Parks – people don't know that. I'd like some input from the group. Not you.

[Laughter.]

CHAIR SAVINO: I'll get to you, let me get to the group first.

MR. PRINCE: Can I finish?

CHAIR SAVINO: Yes, please.

MR. PRINCE: You know what the state of affairs are in terms of, like, the money that was allocated and the project, so they've moved forward to date. I inherited that project as your Off-Highway Vehicle Program Coordinator. I do have an awareness of how to make things happen on the Internet to get search results to happen. The problem that we've experienced, thus far, at Parks in terms of people – trail users, basically, wanting to find out where to ride and where to get information. The website wasn't structured properly to get those type results. We're going to work on that. That's something I bring expertise to the table on.

The other thing that we're working on, which is one of my initiatives as a program that I want to put in my budget – and again, I have to get briefed on all this and find out what – you know, how much money I have available to me. I want to create an interactive GIS Portal on our website that has all the different agency routes on it, because we've paid for the data collection, as you are well aware of. I want to become the repository for that information between all agencies. If it's in the state of Arizona, we want to have it; and then make it available to the public so that we are the place that people come to to find that information. Right now no place like that exists. If you're riding through the Tonto, you go to the Tonto Forest. What happens if you get up on the Coconino? Now you've got to go to the Coconino Forest website to get that information.

CHAIR SAVINO: Jeff, that's what we've been talking about. That's why we initiated to start with. I appreciate you taking that lead and going with it. Hopefully we'll get somewhere with it.

MR. PRINCE: And it's not just something I'm throwing out there as a project that I'm dreaming of. I've crossed this state, north to south, on my motorcycle using all dirt roads. I crossed seven different agency lands. It took me three weeks to plan that trip, going on different websites and seeing different pieces of information in various states of repair to prepare a map. That's where it created

this burning desire to become involved in this. As a trail user, I was becoming frustrated. All I wanted to do was get on my bike and go riding and see this beautiful state. That's why other people come here and they want that information, too.

I just happened to have a GIS background so I can dig through the data and get to it. I want it to be where someone who knows how to use Google can get to our website, they can download the information onto their GPS where they can cut maps that are useable to them and print it out. They can find out what's closed, what's open, what permits are necessary and/or applicable; and just be the clearinghouse for that data. I think that will position us very strongly because we will be offering a resource to the public.

CHAIR SAVINO: No, that's what we want and I hope that – just to give you fair warning – when this comes up again for budget – to advance more money to the website, you know – outsource our website like we have, I'm – if it stays at its current status I'm going to vote "no" on it. So I hope that it improves so we can –

MR. FRENCH: For Perfect Media?

CHAIR SAVINO: Yeah, for Perfect Media, because I don't feel we're getting our bang for our buck.

Ma'am, did you have something to say?

JOAN: The Arizona State Association of Four-Wheel Driver Club does have a website.

MS. ANTLE: It's linked, Joan.

JOAN: Oh, is it linked?

MS. ANTLE: Yeah, it's linked on there.

JOAN: And I think the [unintelligible] of Four-Wheelers might be linked, also. I'm not sure.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yeah, and that's what we want. I know that – well, anyway, we can go on. You're going to be the word on that, so – Rebecca.

MS. ANTLE: Yes, you can put my name on the Arizona State Association, if you'd like to on the website.

MR. PRINCE: What's that?

MS. ANTLE: You can put my name on there as the contact for the ASA – the Arizona State Association. Last year I think when I came back on the Board I asked to have – and I know I sent pictures of actual Jeeps, according to the website. All I see are motorcycles and ATVs. So, the way I see that, if you come here looking for a four-wheel drive club, there aren't any in the state of Arizona, even though it says that because all the pictures are ATVs and motorcycles. I sent them – I may have sent them to Bob, photographs that you can put up there that I think – we should have those up there, also.

MR. PRINCE: If you could send them to me.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yeah, let's go through Bob on everything – excuse me, Jeff on everything.

MS. ANTLE: You can even put those up there to say there is both types of recreation.

CHAIR SAVINO: Well, we want all types of recreation – of motorized recreation. Don, you have anything on this?

MR. FRENCH: No, other than I agree that Perfect Media has dropped the ball on what we wanted. We've given them a lot of money and don't have much –

CHAIR SAVINO: The only thing that I see of value to it was my Chairman's Report. Not because I'm writing it, but it was able to get out to the public any views that we have. That's what prompted Director Martyn to be here. He mentioned that those letters are getting out there. So, please work on it. Thomas, you have anything?

MR. McARTHUR: No, I'm just pleased to see that that's actually gonna maybe get accomplished now.

CHAIR SAVINO: Right. That's one of the – another reason why we hired you, because of your expertise in this to get that going. I'd love to be able to not have to spend that \$50,000 and outsource and have it down in-house, I really would. There's no need to do that. No, I'm not going to give you the \$50,000.

[Laughter.]

CHAIR SAVINO: Go 'head.

MR. PRINCE: Mr. Chairman, I just wanted to say one other thing. The money that was spent for the Perfect Media project, I believe – and this is a bit of an opinion – is that because staff was overburdened with all of the things that they needed to do, that that was a way to kind of address the concerns that you guys had and tried to get something working. Well, we discovered that maybe that project didn't work quite as well as we wanted. We learned some things from it and now I've been given directives on – we need to improve the website; we need to work on our media, we need to work on our branding – and those are the things that I bring to the table moving forward.

I apologize if there is any frustration for the program that happened before I came on board. But now you've got a pipeline to address these things and we will be working on it. I'm also trying to leverage relationships that I have with the university to get them involved in this mapping project, so we can get something that's successful for a lower cost, so we can get more for our taxpayers' dollars and then create meaningful relationships with our other agencies.

We're at this critical junction right now with this whole OHV program where we have a lot of energy. A lot of money has been spent on collecting data, developing projects – now it's about getting the word out and doing it in a positive manner. Telling users and visitors what's available to them. The website is going to become a part of that outreach. The other part of it is I'm going to be involved with reaching out to clubs and people who aren't involved with this currently to try to get the work out more effectively. The newsletter, which is part of the website, in effect – you know, it's part of the media program – we're going to restructure that and take in-house – no, don't get alarmed! We're going to produce it in-house so we don't have to outsource it to control cost. So, you'll have a direct pipeline to me, because that will be one of my projects; and we're going to involve other folks to get information out about what's going on out there. Then you won't have to go through multiple levels.

CHAIR SAVINO: Jeff, as long as it's in – I made a point on this – whoever the chairman is – in that Chairman's Report, that that doesn't change. It doesn't go to State Parks and they restructure it and send it out; and re-word it. We've been able to do that. If we have a difference in opinion with State Parks and we express it, that's our avenue, that's our money and that's our avenue to get that out there. Okay?

MR. PRINCE: It is my intent to spread that because apparently it gets sent to about 1,300 people who have signed up for the newsletter.

CHAIR SAVINO: It should be by – after two years – to be 13,000 people.

MR. PRINCE: Right, and at these public meetings they're coming up and reaching out to internet forums. I think we're going to get more and more people interested in receiving that newsletter.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. Rebecca.

MS. ANTLE: You talked about putting together maps and getting the university involved in putting together maps. Are you talking about using the Forest Service maps that they are by law required to put out, by the end of last year that they haven't done yet? Those maps that will be on their website are the ones that we legally need to go by. Is that –

MR. PRINCE: That's part of the information, but we also have BLM, Tribal lands, there are counties...

MS. ANTLE: Right, yeah!

MR. PRINCE: There's a whole variety of data sources out there across the state of Arizona. Most of them are digital at this point. What I'm looking to do is to build the relationships that we have with agencies and other folks that we haven't brought to the table yet, and get that digital data flowing into us so that we can then create a portal for people to get to that – in a meaningful way. Because a travel management map is useless.

MS. ANTLE: Yes, we know that.

MR. PRINCE: It has no topographical information, it's just a black and white print. I've used them. You can't download them to your GPS. You can't really see any features...

MS. ANTLE: So that's what your end goal is, we will be able to download those maps into our GPS's and be able to use them that way? Or to print them and they'll actually be a map of value?

MR. PRINCE: Yeah.

MS. ANTLE: Okay.

MR. PRINCE: The goal is to leverage our digital assets throughout all these different agencies to produce either printed maps – at the user end so we don't have to print them. They can print their area of interest, custom them to whatever their route is, download it to a tablet, phone or whatever technology they have at that time; or, bring in GPS tracks based off of legal routes. I think that will create an era of compliance. If people can download a route to their device, they're more likely to stay on that route and explore, you know, trails that aren't identified. It's part education, it's part, you know, user-interaction, getting people to be on the same page with things.

That's the hope and we've paid for the data. Just like Len was talking about with the inventories that they've done – we've paid for these guys to go out on motorcycles and Jeeps and run all these trails and digitize them. So why don't we re-purpose it? It shouldn't just sit over at the BLM or just sit at the Forest Service. That means I need to go shake hands –

CHAIR SAVINO: You ever thought about running for public office?

[Laughter.]

MR. PRINCE: You know when I was down in Havasu, I met with Jenn House down there and talked with her about her project and she showed me the maps that they had and said, "You know what, when this gets through your process, we need to work together so that information is at Arizona State Parks and we become the place that people look for OHV information across multiple jurisdictions, across boundaries."

There's nothing more frustrating than crossing the Prescott National Forest and getting to the edge of the boundary and the map ends, and then there's nothing past that. So now you've got to say, "Okay, who's the landowner on that other side? Is it State trust, is it another forest, is it county? But their maps end at their boundary. We want to be the agency that bridges those gaps.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. Thank you very much.

SPEAKER: Good luck with Coronado.

CHAIR SAVINO: What?

SPEAKER: Good luck with Coronado.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, good luck with Coronado. The Chair has a report then we're going to take a five minute break.

So, the Chairman's Report I have on there – I just want to report that I've already gone over this "Welcome Aboard, Jeff," the process was I was involved in the hiring process. Amy Racki [phonetic] who used to be in Jeff's position was on the Board, Bob Baldwin, Doris Pulsifer, the manager of this program; and Jeff Gursh from the Arizona Off-Highway Vehicle Coalition. We had 80 applicants who put in for that job. We narrowed it down to six who we interviewed; and we picked you.

MR. PRINCE: Well thank you.

CHAIR SAVINO: I went through this – after the interview process with the six members – six people we interviewed all day, we went – I went to Bryan's office with Doris and recommended that he take – there were two positions that – they take the top two positions and I asked him to have a second interview with those two people and he had it on the Wednesday following that meeting. Then he picked you. So, welcome aboard. You know that the money that they were paying for this spot – unlike Amy – Amy worked for State Parks when she did it. She was funded by State Parks and she was State Parks. You're funded. We wanted to go out – we wanted to have an OHV person do this job. We're funding this out of the Sticker Fund money.

But you can't come to me unless – I can't give you a raise, okay?

[Laughter.]

CHAIR SAVINO: You're within the State Parks' boundaries on that stuff, but you are funded by State – OHV Sticker Fund money. Okay?

Let's take a break. I'm going to adjourn and have a five-minute break – restroom break – then we'll come back and go on to agenda item E. Paul, do you want us to call you back or do you want to stay on the line?

MR. KATZ: I can just stay on the line. I may run out to the little fellow's room, but I'll be back within the five minutes.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, thank you.

[Break.]

CHAIR SAVINO: Paul, are you already done from the little boy's room?

MR. KATZ: Yep, it all came out just fine!

CHAIR SAVINO: I didn't need to know all the details. We were worried about that. You're getting old.

[Laughter.]

CHAIR SAVINO: I'd like to – Jeff, are you ready?

MR. PRINCE: Yeah, we're recording.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, I'd like to call this meeting back into order on November 2, 2012, of the Arizona Off-Highway Vehicle – Arizona State Parks Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group – I should have that memorized. Okay, I'm going to go on to agenda item E, which is an action item: "Approval of the minutes from the August 10, 2012 meeting." I'd like to entertain a motion to approve the minutes from the August 10, 2012 meeting.

MR. FRENCH: I make a motion we approve the minutes from the August 10th meeting.

CHAIR SAVINO: Is there a second?

MR. McARTHUR: Second.

CHAIR SAVINO: Second from Thomas. Any discussion?

[No verbal response.]

CHAIR SAVINO: No. I should have done that before. All those in favor of approving the minutes from the August 10, 2012 meeting say aye.

CHORUS OF VOICES: Aye.

CHAIR SAVINO: There was a unanimous decision. Then I have approval of the minutes from the August 27, 2012 meeting. Before I ask for a motion – or entertain a motion, where are the minutes?

MR. PRINCE: I was going to say, those minutes, due to difficulty with the electronic recording were not published, so they were emailed to you in draft form; so you should table that item and revisit it –

CHAIR SAVINO: I will and I also want to make a statement that one of the agreements that Director Martyn had with this group and promised us was that these minutes and any agenda items would be at our disposal, by mail to our houses, two weeks prior to this meeting. That hasn't been kept. I can't blame you for that, Jeff; but that's our situation. We need time to – especially when we get into grant funding – to call these places before we're awarding \$100,000 -- \$200,000 – we need to look into that. So, it's a must.

MS. ANTLE: On that, can you tell the person – I had a whole bunch of notes for the August 10th meeting, but unfortunately I wasn't able to attend – the recorder that's doing these notes, if they could maybe possibly cut it back a little. I don't think they have type every single, solitary word.

CHAIR SAVINO: They have to by law.

MS. ANTLE: Well, I think some of it's just –

CHAIR SAVINO: Well, one of things – and I understand what you're saying. You're reading through these things, but also there's the other extreme where in the past we've had people, you know, certain people summarize it; and they

summarize it in their own words; and that gets away from the content of the thing.

MS. ANTLE: Okay.

CHAIR SAVINO: So, I don't know where the happy median is.

MS. ANTLE: Well, I think, the main thing I was going for is – maybe it's – and I know they do a very good job of taking down every single thing that we say; but certain things like "yeah," probably should be "yes" and not – I mean, that's just picky things –

CHAIR SAVINO: Yes.

MS. ANGLE: I write specs all the time, so, if we could rephrase the "yeah," with a "yes."

MR. PRINCE: Could I ask Paul to make a comment about how the committee can address their minutes with these questions?

MR. KATZ: Well, they have the option of keeping the whole electronic recording or to have a summary of all the issues, including all the motions that do come up. I think it's better to have a verbatim record, but in theory we could just have minutes that get approved and just have a recording there as a backup. But, if we're going to state what was actually said, electronically, I don't think we can change the "yeah" with "yes," it has to remain as is if we're going to print what was recorded. But we don't necessarily have to print what is recorded; but then somebody's going to have to be an excellent secretary and keep very good track of what's going on.

MS. ANTLE: It was just a thought.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, let's – I – okay. Thank you, let's continue like we're doing. Don?

MR. FRENCH: I make a motion to table the minutes. I make a motion to table the minutes from August 27, 2012 to the next meeting when we can get a copy in hand.

CHAIR SAVINO: Is there a second?

MS. ANTLE: Second.

CHAIR SAVINO: Rebecca seconds that motion. So, all in favor?

CHORUS OF VOICES: Aye.

CHAIR SAVINO: Everybody, it's unanimous. We're tabling those minutes until our next meeting. The reason being we didn't have enough time to review them. Okay?

I'm going to go on to action item (3): Staff will present the Statewide OHV Program Outreach strategy and OHVAG may discuss that process. Jeff, you're staff.

MR. PRINCE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. A lot of what we talked about, thus far, touches on our outreach goals. We're going to improve the website, we're going to create digital assets so they will draw the public to them. We're going to make it interesting. So we intend on creating more video footage so people who don't like to read long, lengthy web pages are maybe inspired to see what State Parks does and what various components do to promote OHV recreation. So those videos are currently in production with Perfect Media, which is a contract that you guys are aware of.

We also have some capabilities in house to create some of that media so we have the opportunity to record public meetings, strap a camera to a vehicle and shoot a few shots. We might be producing a little bit of that, in-house, for – at a very reasonable price, you know, under staff direction.

CHAIR SAVINO: Jeff, we – these recordings, when can we expect this to be out there? What I've been asked – they came up with this last July – up to White Mountains – and Don was involved in the filming of it. There are two things I'm going to ask you: One is, we'd like to have a copy of that – what they filmed up in the Maveric Trail of the White Mountains for our club; and also, when can we expect that stuff – to see it out there on the web?

MR. PRINCE: That's a good question.

CHAIR SAVINO: Thank you.

[Laughter.]

MR. PRINCE: I just came on board and have had the opportunity to review the five videos and the folks in-house commented on that – staff – and the Ambassador Program had a lot of concerns about some of the footage that was shot and the way that it was produced in terms of showing ATVs running through mud, people not wearing helmets.

CHAIR SAVINO: Who were these – again? Back up a little bit. Who made those comments, in-house staff?

MR. PRINCE: Staff at Arizona State Parks and the Ambassadors –

CHAIR SAVINO: What do the Ambassadors have to do with our video that we paid for? I mean, they were a part of paying for it, but why isn't that input coming from the Off-Highway Vehicle – your Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group?

MR. PRINCE: Well, I just got the three videos last week, so – the deal with it was – and keep in mind, this was not my project, but now I'm helping out to get successful completion on it – is a lot of the video footage that was shot and the way it was assembled does not meet our goals of promoting safe riding, appropriate riding, trending lightly – you know, you can't show two or three people on an ATV designed for –

CHAIR SAVINO: Wait a minute!

MR. PRINCE: Yeah.

CHAIR SAVINO: I'm going to stop you there.

MR. PRINCE: Okay.

CHAIR SAVINO: When you say "our goals," you're saying State Parks' goals. Okay? Our goals for this money that we put out was to get it out to the public that there are riding opportunities in this state. It wasn't about promoting or developing a safety film or what have you, because that's what we're paying \$1.3 million to Arizona Game and Fish to do the safety report. This was a – the goal of this money – this project was to get it out there so the public – especially the public coming in, the "snow birds" and stuff – have a one-stop shop they can go to and see what's going on. That's why you have racing films. There should be rock crawling film in there – I don't know whether there is or not – people out having fun. It wasn't a State Parks or Game and Fish safety video.

MR. PRINCE: Let me clarify, please? They are not safety videos. They are promotional videos to get people interested in what's going on within the OHV

community in Arizona – places to ride, right? What State Parks does with their money – because that’s a common question that we get – in promoting, you know, all the opportunities that are available. But, in communicating that message, we have to be very careful that we don’t show things that are illegal, unsafe or just plain dangerous.

You know, there was some footage that was shot where there were three people on an ATV designed for one. There’s lots of footage of kids running around without helmets.

CHAIR SAVINO: There is? I didn’t see those.

MR. PRINCE: Right. We saw a rough cut and those were the red flags that people raised, “Hey, this footage, while it is interesting and exciting, has this embedded, unsafe message;” and we as an agency can’t do that.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay.

MR. PRINCE: You know, we can’t show people plowing through mud puddles and, you know, not riding safely, without helmets, and you know, not having the appropriate gear. We’re not making videos that tell them how to be safe, or train them on how to ride, that’s not the goal of this project; but we have to have those implied values in the videos, showing people being safe.

CHAIR SAVINO: I want to, Jeff – I’m – this is a request.

MR. PRINCE: Okay.

CHAIR SAVINO: That you get these videos. You either send them to us so we can view them – this advisory group – that we see these videos because I’m not sure we’ve all seen them. Have you seen them, Rebecca?

[No verbal response.]

CHAIR SAVINO: We haven’t seen those and I take offense to it that there are other people out there who have seen them and are making comments on them when your own group hasn’t seen them yet.

MR. PRINCE: Let me apologize. I don’t want to make it seem as if these things got passed around and everyone got to review them. They came to my office this week. I walked downstairs to the PR office and stuck it in Ellen’s DVD player. These are the kinds of review we’re talking about. I’ve just been here two-and-a-half weeks.

CHAIR SAVINO: I know.

MR. PRINCE: So, we’re really running with the ball and trying to fix some of these issues. Certainly we want your input. I want you to be able to see them because I recognize some of you folks who were in the video. So, we want you to see them and we want to get your opinion. But keep in mind they just got the DVD in this week.

CHAIR SAVINO: I’ve made my statement and we’ll go on from there.

MR. FRENCH: If I could comment. I totally agree, we can’t be putting out videos which obviously do the things that aren’t right.

CHAIR SAVINO: I agree.

MR. FRENCH: I agree with you on that point.

CHAIR SAVINO: I would like to see them.

MR. FRENCH: I know they took footage at the Parker Four Hundred Race. Is that something somebody else will look at and “Well, that’s dangerous, we’re not going to produce it?” That’s why it’s subjective.

MR. PRINCE: Right, and in that case – thank you for bringing up that point, because that video footage was captured. Perhaps it’s appropriate to show more of it and then, you know, have a caption saying, you know, “This is a race on a closed course” kind of a thing.

MR. FRENCH: With seat belts, harnesses, roll cages –

MR. PRINCE: Yeah. But as presented, you know, it’s kind of unusable. It’s going to require some tweaks and we’re preparing to do that. So we get the message out that we all ought to get out there.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. Thank you. Any other questions on that?

[No verbal response.]

CHAIR SAVINO: Then we’ll go on to agenda item (4): OHVAG will discuss how to promote the Statewide OHV Program Project funding opportunity. Staff will provide the manual for this solicitation and information on how the solicitation is announced. OHVAG will discuss how the membership can promote the grant program and encourage project applications. Do you have those manuals with you?

MR. PRINCE: No, Bob apologizes. He’s in the process of completing that manual for your review. We’re going to have to deliver it to you. It wasn’t produced in time for this meeting.

CHAIR SAVINO: When will it go out to the stakeholders – to the people out there – the grant writers?

MR. PRINCE: When to apply?

CHAIR SAVINO: Yeah. Keeping in mind that when the original Sticker Fund program was set up that what we did was we set it up to where people can apply all year long. We want to get that money out. It’s not like the RTP money where you did it once a year. They’re doing it all the time and here we’re going into November and we don’t have a grant manual yet?

MR. McARTHUR: There’s a December 21st deadline on that, so –

CHAIR SAVINO: Yeah, and you have on there that December 21st is the deadline to apply for that grant, to have it all filled out to put in; and you haven’t even gotten the manual out to anybody yet. Again, I’m not picking on you. You just happen to be here.

MR. PRINCE: No, no, you guys are bringing out great points and I’m going to have to report back to you. I think what is happening is that the deadline for applications will shift because we have a legal obligation to announce – or solicit for bids or grants. I think there’s a 45-day – don’t hold me to this, but I believe there’s a 45-day minimum window that has to be allowed. So, obviously, those dates are going to change. The manual will be sent to you, electronically, as soon as it becomes available. I’ll make sure of that. As soon as I see it, it’s coming to you guys.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. More so it has to go out to the agencies and to the people who are writing the grants.

MR. PRINCE: Absolutely!

CHAIR SAVINO: Our whole process is falling apart because if they don't have that, that money's building up, \$1.9 million sitting in that fund and we want to get it out to the public. If State Parks is holding up on the grant manual that gives them the playing field to go by, we're stuck.

MR. FRENCH: The point is, it doesn't appear we're going to have grants to approve at the February meeting –

CHAIR SAVINO: No, we won't.

MR. FRENCH: -- with the current time schedule.

MR. PRINCE: When I talked to Bob this week he indicated to me that the manual would be completed and be sent out and we'd be able to hit our target of getting it out to the public so that you guys would be able to vote for it in February, I believe, is what he said. So I think we're still on schedule for that.

MR. FRENCH: If we're going to vote on it in February, we won't approve a grant until March, April, May. Is that right?

CHAIR SAVINO: Then the money doesn't go out until the end of the year by the time it's all been said and done.

MR. FRENCH: If there's any left.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yeah. And the whole worry we have was we wanted to get that money out on the ground so the government wouldn't get it. We're not doing it and State Parks they dropped the ball.

MR. PRINCE: All I can say is that, you know, Bob wanted me to have that manual today to give to you. I fully expect that I will be able to email it out next week and deal with the release to the public, you know, hit all the target deadlines. So, that's what I know about it.

CHAIR SAVINO: Len – I'm going to ask Len, BLM representative, you write grants.

MR. MARCEAU: Yes, I do.

CHAIR SAVINO: What time frame does it take you to – how long does it take you to write a grant? To fill it out and get it – by the time you get the manual to know what the playing field is and you go from there?

MR. MARCEAU: If I was just – if I'm not interrupted –

CHAIR SAVINO: Not if.

MR. MARCEAU: A week.

CHAIR SAVINO: A week, if you're not interrupted.

MR. MARCEAU: Yeah, if I'm not interrupted. But I've got a lot of other jobs going on and so a lot of the times I look at the deadline – that's why I wrote it down, 12/21 – if that's the deadline for the Sticker Fund, the next round – I will be contacting my associate, Amanda Deets [phonetic] and have her put in money for a couple projects: One, an additional metal kiosk and also see if we can – if it qualifies under the manual, to contract out for a cap to fix up a road. But I need to see the manual...

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, all right. So realistically still if that manual is put out next week or so you can realistically meet that deadline?

MR. MARCEAU: Yeah.

CHAIR SAVINO: Because we want to see some grants in front of us at the February meeting.

MR. MARCEAU: Just one caveat, the thing that takes up the time is the NEPA process, but that does not have to be completed by the time the Sticker Fund grant turns in. Now we have to do it before we get the money and work on the project, but no; to just fill out the grant, or the fund request, doesn't take very long.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay.

MR. FRENCH: I still don't get this time line. You say the grants are going to go out on December 21? Is that what –

CHAIR SAVINO: That's the deadline for them to have the grant back in to the State Parks office.

MR. FRENCH: When are we going to read this and approve this thing?

CHAIR SAVINO: We've already approved the grant – the manual. We approved that a couple meetings ago. We approved the grants manual for him to write up; and he's just supposed to be writing up and formulating it and then get it out to the public.

MR. FRENCH: Oh, okay.

CHAIR SAVINO: So we've approved it – two meetings ago. He just needs to get it out – not you.

MR. PRINCE: Right.

CHAIR SAVINO: Bob needs to get it out and do that. Yes, Jeff.

MR. PRINCE: I'd just like to say that I do know that Bob has spent quite a bit of time on the manual revisions, because it's a little different than past grant manuals, because they took input from you guys and other stakeholders on how to rejuvenate that grant process so it would work and money would be able to be delivered to people more effectively. So that was the purpose of, you know, why the manual was revised – so we could get more money out there quicker. That took a little bit of time; and in Bob's defense, you know, I came on board and he's been my mentor and I've been bugging him pretty solid for two weeks trying to get training and up to speed so I can start answering questions. But he's been working hard on it and I have every indication that manual will be out.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. Don.

MR. FRENCH: One more question. You're gonna give us an electronic copy of that thing. If we read it and have a problem with it, like, not wrote as we approved it – or thought we did – what's the process there?

MR. PRINCE: I'll check with Bob on that.

MR. FRENCH: I mean, I've never even seen a rough draft – I know we sat there and had a big, old long discussion on what's in it; but I've never seen it written down.

CHAIR SAVINO: There should have been a – we approved it and there should be a rough draft sent to us before and given our stamp of approval, and then written up – and that was kind of not done.

MR. PRINCE: Okay. I'll look into that and find out.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay.

MR. PRINCE: I think the process on our end is that, you know, it was discussed and the criteria were developed and then that was put into the manual; and the assumption being that they could move forward with that. But I'll check. I could be totally wrong.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. Thomas, you have anything on that.

MR. McARTHUR: No, I'm just a little concerned that – as you've expressed – that there can be a discrepancy between what everybody thought they agreed upon and what actually is produced.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yes.

MR. PRINCE: I'll get back to you on that.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, then I'm going to make a recommendation here, then. Yes, Jeff.

MR. PRINCE: Just one interjection on the grant process. In my opinion, as your OHV program coordinator, we should be in a continual mode of promoting to agencies, clubs and organizations that the money is there and to be aware of the process. They should have projects ready to go before any grant application process is announced. Like, people should be out there identifying projects that they want to work on and then apply for funding when the grant process comes along.

One thing that I've gotten from a lot of users over the years is that they get frustrated, you know, because of these windows of time. Like Len's projects, these are canned projects. Right? They're things that you've known for a while. That's why they can apply quickly.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yeah, but that's where – and I agree with that. There should be an ongoing process. We should have grants in front of us at every meeting to review and go through. Okay? You can't do that if you guys don't give them what the playing field is.

MR. PRINCE: That's not what I'm saying. What I'm saying is, we should be actively engaging the public and these stakeholders to identify projects, so when the grant process rolls around that they're ready to do it. Because a lot of people who would like to do projects, they wait until the grant process is announced to find a project to work on. That's really the wrong game to play.

CHAIR SAVINO: No, a lot of it is you have projects that – you don't know what is written in there. Now, hopefully from now on, that won't change that much what that grant manual is. We finally came to some kind of consensus so the next one they know next year is the same as, or just with a little minor changes in the thing. So that – hopefully we've gotten past that.

MR. PRINCE: I think that's the case.

CHAIR SAVINO: The whole intent is to streamline it and get it as easy as possible so people can – but they should have projects lined up.

MR. FRENCH: And knowing that every three months we are going to look at projects and get money on the ground.

CHAIR SAVINO: Originally we had a cap on it. We had \$100,000 that we wanted to get anything under \$100,000 for sticker money and get it out there. People started writing. BLM and Hassayampa came in with four grants at the same time all for \$100,000 -- \$99,000 – for the same area. We don't want that to happen.

MR. PRINCE: Right.

CHAIR SAVINO: Anyway. Yes ma'am.

SPEAKER: May I ask a question?

CHAIR SAVINO: Go ahead.

SPEAKER: How long with the grant take once it's been applied for?

CHAIR SAVINO: I've been asking that for six, seven years now. It depends. It's supposed to be a thing where the grant – what happens, the process is, once that grant comes in front of us, it's reviewed. It's given, filled out by BLM, let's say for instance; given to State Parks. State Parks makes sure all the eyes are dotted, ties are crossed; they meet all the legal aspects of it. Then it comes and it's presented to our meetings. We meet each quarter. At our meetings we vote on them. Okay, now the process is that we have one-third vote. We've been cut down to one third. AORCC – which is a whole different story and I won't get into – they have a third vote; and State Parks has a third vote. We all have our input.

We grant a grant. Then it goes to State Parks Board. State Parks approves it. State Parks Board approves it. Then it goes back to Jeff. Jeff gets it and now – Bob, in that case – will get it. Then the funding – it's supposed to be for sticker funding. It's supposed to 80 percent of the money is put up front to the person or to the agency, and then the project is on the ground. When we first started the Sticker Fund projects, we gave them a year. We wanted them to come in there with the project so we could get that money out.

As you've heard from BLM, then, they've asked for extensions and then there are projects from 2006 still up there lingering for whatever reason.

MR. MOREAU: Mr. Chairman, if I could clarify that.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yes.

MR. MOREAU: The Sticker Fund – it was the first year I put in for that – I honestly don't remember the timeline because it was only one time.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay.

MR. MOREAU: The RTP Grant, which you just mentioned about I got the extension for, generally that comes – hits us. We have a deadline around January, February or March – some time in – I believe it's summertime – State Parks makes the decision; and usually it's from now when we get the paperwork all signed by our manager, State Parks – and that's when we, you know, start getting money and start working on the grant.

CHAIR SAVINO: Right.

MR. MOREAU: So, I can tell you in terms of RPP, it's like a late winter through early – or late fall-type period. The Sticker Fund, the one time – I was in on the first year of it – I honestly don't remember the timeline.

CHAIR SAVINO: If I may elaborate on that issue. RTP money, what it was we used to do one time per year, we had all you guys – BLM or what have you – that qualified for it, they applied. That grant came up – there were three people from State Parks sitting on the Board and we were just your – your Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group – was just allowed to sit there and witness. We didn't have a vote in that process. Then that came – once they approved the grants, they rated them – it came in front of the Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory group for final approval. Then the grants were awarded. When the Sticker thing came up, the reason why we wanted to do it, we wanted to get that money out so we did that – this state program – so we were able to get away from all the federal loopholes;

and we put that out there for people to apply on a regular basis, and that's what we're doing.

Now, one thing I want to bring up and I didn't see an answer on my – on this agenda on the thing – I put out an email to you guys – to Bob Baldwin – asking when did – who gave the approval to State Parks to just apply RTP money whenever they wanted to? In other words, if we – if we – if a grant comes in front of us for \$120,000, which it has, and Bob looks at it and says, "Well, they still qualify for RTP money," he automatically awards that money. That takes us out of the process on that thing; and I just wanted to know where that – how that came about? How that changed?

MR. PRINCE: Apparently it didn't change, in all fairness. The way it's --

CHAIR SAVINO: Who's been sitting on the Board – on the panel – when they – he rates those grants, those RTP money – funds?

MR. PRINCE: Some funds are used – and I might be using the term incorrectly – some of the money in those funds are earmarked for a non-grant-type process, you know, where the staff has the discretion to use those funds as appropriate for our mission. That particular item that you're talking about, I believe, that wasn't subject to any kind of overview.

CHAIR SAVINO: Let me give you an example. Okay, the Maverick Trail up there, we approved – three years ago we approved – they put a grant in for \$100,000 for rock removal.

MR. PRINCE: Okay.

CHAIR SAVINO: We approved that. Okay? Bob saw that it was – that the Lakeside Range District of Apache Sitgreaves Forest qualified for \$60,000 of that could be RTP money, so we used that. Actually it was \$80,000; \$20,000 was Sticker money. Okay? A year-and-a-half later it came back and there was an additional – the contract didn't get it all done – so the Lakeside Ranger District calls up Bob Baldwin at State Parks and says, "We need to get some more money for this." He says, "Well, you still qualify for money, here, I'll give you another \$20,000 of RTP money." That didn't come to the group – to OHVAG for approval. Bob Baldwin approved it. That's wrong. That's going out of his – out of his area. That should have been approved – come back for that extra money. It's beyond – above and beyond the money that the – the grant that we approved to start with.

Just because they qualify for the money doesn't mean that he has the authority to give out that money. That still comes – that's motorized money, not State Parks' money. It's motorized vehicle money – Off-Highway Vehicle Motorized money, not State Parks.

MR. PRINCE: Right, but –

CHAIR SAVINO: And I know you can't answer that question.

MR. PRINCE: Yeah, I can't answer your specific – that specific case, but what I can say is that State Parks is the steward of this money, and some of that money is assigned for us to use; and some of it is assigned for the grant process. And I'm learning about what those percentages are and –

CHAIR SAVINO: Twelve percent of the monies – and I'm not even talking about that money. Twelve percent of the Sticker Fund money and 12 percent of the RTP money is given to State Parks for their operating budget.

MR. FRENCH: Administration.

CHAIR SAVINO: Administration. That's above and beyond. They can use that to pay for valid bonuses for somebody, I don't care. That's their money. I'm talking about the remainder of the money. When he – and that – and he doesn't have that liberty to go out and take \$20,000 of that and give it to them without coming back to this Board to get our input on it. That is the money I'm talking about, not the operations money.

MR. PRINCE: Right.

CHAIR SAVINO: I just opened a can of worms.

MR. FRENCH: Well, I – it made me think of something else. This is a little off subject which – are you okay with that?

CHAIR SAVINO: Yes, go ahead.

MR. FRENCH: I notice on this project funding sheeting a couple three places –

MR. PRINCE: Could you reference which?

MR. FRENCH: I can. It's attachment 2.D.c. There's no page number on it. On the very bottom of the page the number – the project number is 571110.

MR. PRINCE: Yes, I see it.

MR. FRENCH: Okay, at the very end, "BLM wants to transfer the grants money to Arizona Off-Highway Coalition." Are we starting a new trend here of transferring grant money from one –

CHAIR SAVINO: Yeah. Why would BLM be transferring it over to the Coalition?

MR. FRENCH: -- to the Coalition, which is not able to get grant money.

MR. PRINCE: Right, when –

MR. FRENCH: On the very end you see it?

MR. PRINCE: Yes, I see what you're seeing. What people want and what we're legally allowed to do are often very different things.

MR. FRENCH: Oh, okay.

MR. PRINCE: In this case –

MR. FRENCH: I just wondered if that's something being considered?

MR. PRINCE: It's in the process of being reviewed as to what can and can't be done. Basically, you know, in that case I think – I believe – what happened is BLM didn't have the capability to administer the grant that they were awarded.

MR. FRENCH: Okay.

MR. PRINCE: But they want the work done.

MR. FRENCH: Okay.

MR. PRINCE: So then they wanted to transfer it over there and, you know, Bob said, "Hey, we can't do that. It's a violation of the procurement process."

MR. FRENCH: I'm glad to hear we're on the –

MR. PRINCE: As the Agency purse, we have the legal obligation to – and Paul, chime in this if I say anything wrong, please! We have to honor procurement process. We cannot violate that because then we'd all be in a lot of trouble. Sometimes people ask us to do inappropriate things.

MR. FRENCH: Let me ask, is this going to happen?

CHAIR SAVINO: Everybody's not on board. What page are you on?

MR. FRENCH: There's no page number so it's hard to –

MS. ANTLE: Which one is it?

MR. FRENCH: It's the one – on the very bottom the project number is 571110.

MS. ANTLE: I don't have that one. Okay, that was probably – and I'm not sure of this, you might want to check into it – that was more than likely to be used for the SWECO [phonetic]. Because the AZOHVC has their own SWECO, they have a certified operator. So if you're looking at trail maintenance I would think that's probably what that was for, to figure out how BLM could get the SWECO to take care of the trail maintenance. You might look into that, Jeff; but that's probably what that was for.

There are only two SWECO operators in the state that I know. One, the AZOHVC has a SWECO and an operator; and then I think there's another group that charges three times as much to do the same thing.

CHAIR SAVINO: Jeff Gursh is the operator.

MS. ANTLE: He's the only certified operator.

CHAIR SAVINO: He's the certified operator for the SWECO. He also writes the grants for BLM and also endorses the grants from an OHV club. I'd like Paul to look in there and see if there's – if we're not violating any conflict of interest here.

MR. KATZ: In what regard?

CHAIR SAVINO: Well, you have a person who's writing the grants for BLM, who's applying for the grants, he's endorsing it – we get endorsements from OHV clubs, so the Arizona Off-Highway Vehicle Coalition is endorsing it; and the person who's written this and endorsed it is also the one who BLM hired – without going out to bid – hires this person with the SWECO to do the work. I just want to make sure we're protected on our end in awarding this stuff and somebody doesn't come back and all of a sudden have the SWECO say, "Well, how come I wasn't involved in this?"

MS. ANTLE: No, I believe that – all this looks like it is – it's just that they were trying to look at a transfer, and it doesn't look like that's a legal thing to do. But I believe Jeff – I'm not sure – but I think they're all competitive grants.

CHAIR SAVINO: Well, I'd like to have it looked into, anyway, to see.

MR. KATZ: I'll talk to Jeff further and if Jeff has any questions, he'll get information from one or more of you folks and then we'll sit down and talk about it; but I don't think that there's any illegality and if it is it's nothing that we participated in.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. Thank you very much. Let's move on.

MR. FRENCH: I've got one –

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, Don. Don forgot something. Go ahead.

MR. FRENCH: I've got two or three issues on this project, if I may. On this Ambassador Program – okay, I don't know how to tell you. If you guys want to follow along it's project number 551207. It's four up from the bottom, RideNow Management, LLC.

CHAIR SAVINO: 551207, I got it.

MR. FRENCH: Okay, it's for RideNow Management. That I understand -- \$15,000 -- we've got an expansion grant for the Ambassador Program to RideNow. Okay, you go right up from that, 571118 to State Parks "To purchase materials in support of OHVA Ambassador Program, "Purchase two trailers and wraps for RideNow OHV Program. Balance of funds returned to Fund."

CHAIR SAVINO: Remember they --

MR. FRENCH: I thought that \$15,000 included the trailers and the -- that was part of the trailer purchase.

CHAIR SAVINO: It was supposed to be.

MS. ANTLE: Doesn't the \$15,000 cover the trailer and all the equipment?

MR. FRENCH: That's what I thought. And not only that --

CHAIR SAVINO: Also, they're getting the money up above here.

MR. FRENCH: Not only that. Didn't we have four trailers that we bought that didn't go anywhere, that we had two extras somewhere?

CHAIR SAVINO: Those were already given out to CREC and those other places.

MR. FRENCH: No, seriously.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yes, I --

MR. FRENCH: So, for this expansion program for RideNow it's \$35,719?

CHAIR SAVINO: Jeff can't answer those questions. What I'd like to propose, if you don't mind, is Jeff I would like to direct you to come to our next meeting with an itemized expense account for the Ambassador Program, to date -- itemized -- as money that State Parks has -- we've already had that a while back when we found out that there was equipment that Tom told us BLM had that was unaccounted for, that there were seven trailers purchased and what have you -- vehicles -- we had vehicles out there that weren't accounted for. It seems like -- we don't want this to get out of hand, so, we want to have a full account. Is that good, Don?

MR. FRENCH: Good enough

CHAIR SAVINO: Because he can't answer that. So, will you do that?

Yes ma'am?

SPEAKER: We went --

CHAIR SAVINO: For somebody who didn't -- said she wasn't going to talk, you sure do a lot!

SPEAKER: I'm sorry. We went to two Ambassador Programs to see what it was all about -- how should we encourage them. At the meeting in Lake Havasu City with Lake Havasu Four-Wheelers we were all appalled by the amount of monies spent on this program when it could -- we felt could be better spent on our trails.

CHAIR SAVINO: Ma'am, you're speaking to the chorus. But what's happened -- and I'll go on record with this -- the Ambassador Program in its -- in the general content of it when it was first put out -- the concept was great! You get out there -- rather than having law enforcement out there, you know, writing tickets and stuff -- have our peer groups have our own people, you know, do it. It's gone and we've hired -- and this is another thing that we were supposed to change -- we talked to Bryan Martyn about it -- is that it went just like all government agency --

you know, groups. They have a – it takes on its own, you know, identity; and it's grown.

Now we have so many people at the top. We're paying out so much money. State Parks two years ago – and we opposed – we voted down \$330,000 that they wanted to expand the Ambassador Program. We voted it down, but State Parks Board went ahead and approved it.

So, this – there's an un-godly amount – the only way this will change is if the OHV community speaks up about this. They need to say, "Hey, wait! Yes, the concept's good, but you know, it's one thing. It's like all different, you know, government – I'm surprised you haven't stopped me yet, Paul. This is – it's gone – it's taken on its own identity.

MR. FRENCH: I'll give you an example. This project funding sheet, it's supposed to be \$15,000 for an expansion plan; and I see here now we've spent \$35,000 on one group.

CHAIR SAVINO: I guess it's like – the best way I can relate to this is it's just like the Education Department. Okay? The feds say, "Well, we" – "Are you saying that you don't want to fund the Education Department?" "No, we want to fund the Education Department to get the money to the kids not to bureaucracy."

Paul, you have to stop me here somewhere.

MR. KATZ: I will. I don't think we ought to get into any political discussion.

CHAIR SAVINO: Thank you. Thank you.

MR. KATZ: You might – as you have – request Jeff to give you a full accounting of how particular monies were spent at the next meeting. That's perfectly appropriate. And if you think that money is being misspent, then you're more than welcome, as an agenda item, to make recommendations that even criticize what the Parks Board or its director – or what the Parks director are doing.

CHAIR SAVINO: Thank you very much. Rebecca.

MS. ANTLE: When you ask for the accounting of the Ambassador Program, I've already talked to Marge about her accounting system; and she'll put in there "education" and that's it. What does that mean? We'd like to know what – it would be nice if Marge could be just little more specific about what she's spending the money on. I think it would make a big difference if we knew because it's a big bunch of money.

CHAIR SAVINO: Your State Parks dollars that you're paying for your sticker is going to come into – it's going to State Parks – the state-funded, you know, state-run organization transferred over to BLM to be run by BLM. Now here's the part

SPEAKER: The Ambassador unit?

CHAIR SAVINO: Yeah, the Ambassador Program. Run by a federal agency – so anyway let's..

MR. PRINCE: As a point of clarification about how the OHV Program is managed. The BLM does not run the Ambassador Program. They are a partner in helping State Parks run the program. So their staff – one of the staff members is a BLM employee.

CHAIR SAVINO: One's an outside, hired agency –

MR. PRINCE: Let me finish.

CHAIR SAVINO: The fact remains we're paying a couple hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars to Chris Gammage and Marge Dwyer to run the program, plus another \$35,000 to a guy up in – for CREC – Coconino County Recreation – or Environmental – Coconino Rural Environmental thing – to run our program. Anyway, let's table that. We've already asked you to bring the results so we'll go on.

MR. PRINCE: Well, the one thing I was going to say is you expressed concern about money being spent on the Ambassador Program that would be better spent on trails. We don't have that luxury. We have money and certain percentages have to be spent on certain things. So some of it going for education and some of it goes for trails –

CHAIR SAVINO: Trust me, we're spending and – don't go down that road.

MR. PRINCE: What I'm just saying is a point of clarification, like – as a State Parks employee – me – and you as an Advisory Council to the Board – all we can do is forward what we think is best; and then the Board makes the decision. We have a responsibility at State Parks to make sure that money is spent appropriately once the Board decides. So we're like the stewards of the money to make sure we're getting what we paid for. That's why I came up here today to --

CHAIR SAVINO: Pre-Jeff Prince, okay? Pre-Jeff Prince, the mentality at State Parks was to – that it was their money to do at their discretion; and they would just put it out there no matter what we said. So, I'm going to move on.

MR. PRINCE: I can't comment on pre-Jeff Prince, but I can comment on what we are doing in the future.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, so, why don't we go on. Don? Let's go on. We can go on for two hours with that discussion. Thank you, ma'am, for bringing that up.

[Laughter.]

CHAIR SAVINO: Discussion, action item – “Action is limited to selecting” – I'm going to F, okay? Number one, “OHVAG will discuss funding provided for OHV Projects in the Kingman area.” Do we have any questions?

MR. FRENCH: I think we went over them already.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, so are you okay? Do you have any questions on this?

[No verbal response.]

CHAIR SAVINO: We're going to move on. Thank you very much, Len, for showing up.

MR. MARCEAU: You're welcome.

CHAIR SAVINO: You're welcome to stay. Rebecca, action item two, “Rebecca Antle to report on recent activities in Pima Motor Sports Park.”

MS. ANTLE: Okay, I got this from – I wasn't able to go out to the Park. I've got someone who did go out to the Park, I believe. I didn't have the operations agreement for Pima Motor Sports Park on January 8, 2011 when we gave it to – I think it's RideNow, actually – no, it's not RideNow – it's Muscle Men who has taken over the Park. I'm not sure it's Muscle Men. Is it Muscle Men?

Okay. Some of the issues that this particular person has pointed out – and I think we really need to look at how the money is being spent in Pima Motor Sports Park. I know it's one of the few Parks we have that's actually on the ground, but it's never really made any money. But we don't want to lose it because it is a good idea. I've been told that the person who's running it is letting anybody who

wants to, to come in and use the rock-crawling course which – we weren't even allowed to do that because the insurance carrier wouldn't let us – and I don't think it's being – that whole course was made up so that there could be events out there to help the Park, maintain the Park itself and make money. I don't believe he's done any of that. So, I'd like to know what actually he's doing out there.

I've also been told that the equipment is in disarray and that there's equipment missing. If I look at the grant – the lease – I believe it was 15 years from what I was reading. I just got this last night. The agreement is, uhm, MC Motor Sports Park – a 15-year agreement with two, five-year options. If you go down in here – I know I made a comment on this somewhere. There it is.

MR. PRINCE: What are you looking at?

MS. ANTLE: I'm looking at the lease agreement between Pima Motor Sports Park and Pima County. It's an – but it's an OHVAG grant that funded all of this. So I think they need to be in compliance with the lease.

MR. PRINCE: When you say, "OHVAG Grant," what does that mean?

CHAIR SAVINO: Motorized grant.

MS. ANTLE: Motorized grant.

CHAIR SAVINO: Because it was approved for this Park.

MS. ANTLE: Pima Motor Sports Park, I believe, has gotten three, motorized grants over the last –

CHAIR SAVINO: I think we put in over a million dollars into that thing.

MS. ANTLE: Well, it ran fine when Kirk had it, but you had so many restrictions and – I think the guy before him, also. But there's something in here about the management – continuing investment of \$12,000 capital – special program funding for the Park. But it appears equipment is missing or equipment that's in disarray. It also says in here that the Park manager needs to keep that equipment up. So I think someone needs to go out and look at Pima Motor Sports and see what condition it's in and if the money is – I'll be glad to go out there with you. Let me know when you're in town and – it's down in Tucson.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yes, Jeff.

MR. PRINCE: I have a note here, which is – you know, I had a little pre-meeting before moving on this agenda. The suggestion was to have the February meeting at Pima Motor Sports so that would give us a chance to like walk the property.

CHAIR SAVINO: That's too far.

[Laughter.]

CHAIR SAVINO: Will you guys show up? Will State Parks show up at that meeting? Is it convenient enough?

MR. PRINCE: I'll be there unless I'm sick.

CHAIR SAVINO: No, I know you will, but –

[Laughter.]

CHAIR SAVINO: I don't care. It's up to this – that's okay with me. Is that –

MS. ANTLE: You know what? I will talk to my Four-Wheel Drive Club and see if the Tucson Rough Riders are in the state and maybe could furnish lunch. Okay, I'll look into it.

MR. PRINCE: That is one idea. Is to get us all down there.

MS. ANTLE: Which meeting are we looking at doing this?

MR. PRINCE: The February meeting. It would be nice if they have a facility like this room.

MS. ANTLE: There is a meeting room. The facility has two offices, restrooms and meeting rooms; so, we should be able to get the facility. I have to talk to Pete. He talks to those guys more than I do, but let me see what I can do.

MR. PRINCE: So, that would be an opportunity to get OHVAG and, you know, the other parties to come to these meetings to see what's going on there; and also extend the invitation that if you'd like to go down there and have me join you before that meeting to walk around, I'll be happy to do that. I'm available. Give me a call and we'll set up a time to go to see what's going on. In the meantime, I will pull up the documents about Pima Motor Sports so that we can look at the grant. We can look at the operating agreement and the reporting.

MR. FRENCH: It's an ongoing 15-year?

MS. ANTLE: That's what the lease agreement – this is the lease agreement, I believe, with Pima County; but their lease agreement – yeah, this is the Pima County lease agreement. But even though it's with – Pima County donated the property that the Park is built on and then all of the improvements have been done through the motorized grant funding. But if they're not keeping the Park up –

MR. FRENCH: Oh, we're not giving them money at this time but because –

MS. ANTLE: They applied for a grant last year and got it I think – yeah. I mean, if it can – it needs to continue somehow. But it's been very difficult. Pima County doesn't really want it so the funding has been hard to keep it working.

But anyway, that was brought to my attention so that's what I wanted to report.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. Thank you very much. Again, I have no clue where we are.

MS. ANTLE: We've done all these. "OHVAG members may report on current projects."

CHAIR SAVINO: Yeah, I missed seeing something somewhere in this packet about that \$35,000 – action item E(5), is that the one on trails symposiums? Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group Action Report Agenda Item E(5). Do you have that?

MS. ANTLE: Yeah, I think it's somewhere.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, E(5). Let me go on with it. This is State Parks – their recommended motion, then we'll go on to the discussion. So, I recommend – and I'm not making this motion, I just want to read this: I recommend providing up to \$35,000 from the education portion of the fiscal year 2013 Recreational Trails Program allocation to American Trails, Incorporated to fund eligible scope items for the International Trails Symposium and that this recommendation be forwarded to the State Parks Board for final action. That's what that states. Okay? Does everybody have that page?

That was a recommendation. I sent an email to State Parks to Bob and also cc'd you, Jeff – and I liked the answers on that. My questions – some of them were where's the procedure, where's the packet that we should be reviewing that comes in front of us like BLM does or anybody else. I don't see that packet. We

haven't had this. Why is this being – another question I have is, why is this – this symposium has been in the works for a couple years now. It's mainly a trails symposium for hikers and stuff, they want to get the motorized portion involved in it. Why are we just – now we're being rushed to fund \$35,000 to be taken to State Parks Board? Why is State Parks – I'm asking a lot of questions here – why is State Parks circumventing the system once again?

MR. PRINCE: I can't say that State Parks is circumventing the system. I can't speak to that. I don't know. Because I don't know what's happened beforehand. But I do have a copy of your questions.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, can you please read out those questions and then give me an answer to each one of them?

MR. PRINCE: Yeah and before I do start reading this I'd like to say that, thank you for sending the questions, Mr. Chairman – and the answer – the way that staff explained the answers was kind of an educational process for me. So it's – I'll read through it. Then you can discuss it.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. Go for it!

MR. PRINCE: They're not answers for each thing because all these questions are kind of tied together in a big ball of knots so the explanation covers everything.

CHAIR SAVINO: For the record, please read the questions then we'll –

MR. PRINCE: Question number one, recommending up to \$35,000 for the educational portion of the FY 2013 RTP allocation to American Trails. In paragraph three you state on July 2, 2012 staff announced the opportunity to apply for funding for non-motorized trail projects from the RTP program. State determined that American Trails should be – should submit a grant application and compete for the funds. Question, as we are all aware, the RTP grant application forms are quite cumbersome. Where is the completed form filled out for the international trail symposium?

CHAIR SAVINO: Where?

MR. PRINCE: A copy of that was provided to me and I have all the information.

CHAIR SAVINO: That's not good enough. On Thursday – it was supposed to be yesterday. The fact that you have it – that's not good enough for us. We have – we have to follow the rules then so does State Parks. Right, Paul?

MR. KATZ: Yeah. Everybody has to follow statute and regulation that is applicable to that particular –

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. And that's only being fair to the rest – the BLM and everything. So why can't – they're beyond – next time Len just say, "Hey, give me \$35,000" and they say, "Okay."

MR. PRINCE: Well, I think this explanation the rest of the staff gave to me, you know, in the grant section will address all these questions.

CHAIR SAVINO: Go ahead.

MR. PRINCE: So –

CHAIR SAVINO: Just give me your explanation and we'll move on to the next one.

MR. PRINCE: You want all the questions then I'll read the explanation?

CHAIR SAVINO: I think we all know the questions, don't we?

MR. FRENCH: However you think we can understand it.

CHAIR SAVINO: Go through the questions.

MR. FRENCH: Maybe one at a time? Can you answer why they felt like they didn't have to go through the grant process with us to ask for this money?

MR. PRINCE: Why don't I read the response

MR. FRENCH: Okay.

MR. PRINCE: Like I said, they kind of – all these things intertwine together.

CHAIR SAVINO: Go for it!

MR. PRINCE: It's pretty educational. So in response to the chairman's questions –

CHAIR SAVINO: Go 'head!

MR. PRINCE: Pardon me, I have a frog in my throat. So, the funds being requested for the International Symposium are from the educational portion of the Recreational Trail Program. We're allowed to use up to five percent, which is approximately \$80,000 of the yearly appropriation for educational projects and programs that promote trail safety and environmental protection. The State Parks Director has been designated by the Governor to administer the RTP in Arizona, which is in reference to question three.

Staff works with the Federal Highway Administration, Arizona Division, and Arizona Department of Transportation, to identify programs of motorized and non-motorized uses of the educational portion of the annual appropriation. The funds have never been offered for grants – question number two – State Parks gets seven percent of the appropriation to administer the program.

In reference to question number four, Arizona Game and Fish does not receive any distribution from RTP Funds and has no obligation to support the International Trail Symposium.

In reference to question number two, since 1999 when the RTP Funds became substantial, State Parks has been offering the non-motorized portion – 50 percent project funds – of the RTP Fund to trail maintenance projects selected by lottery under the Arizona State Parks RTP Trail Maintenance Program. These are not grants to the project sponsor as the money for the trail maintenance is paid by State Parks directly to the contracted trail groups. This year was the first time we offered a non-motorized portion of the yearly RTP appropriation in a competitive grant solicitation. Changes in the administration of the RTP necessitated by ADOT, required American Trails to submit a grant application as opposed to the project proposal that would normally be considered outside of the grant process.

These non-motorized applications were reviewed and rated by a team of State Parks staff and ASCOT members. Their recommendation is going to AORCC on November 5th for review and the recommendation to the State Parks Board for final action.

CHAIR SAVINO: Can I interrupt you real quick there? Hold your spot there.

MR. PRINCE: Yes.

CHAIR SAVINO: I want to comment on this. You said "non-motorized." Why are we even in the process? I don't care what happens with non-motorized money. They get half of the RTP money. Non-motorized – ASCOT gets half and motorized. I care about the motorized thing. Why are we even discussing this? The grant packet – fine, it went in front of the ASCOT, sat there like the process

was supposed to be done. You know, I applaud you for that. Why are you coming to motorized money and asking for motorized money?

MR. PRINCE: I'm not.

[Laughter.]

CHAIR SAVINO: That's what puzzles me. It says here it's like – uhm, let's go on. You have a whole bunch more?

MR. PRINCE: Yeah, there's more to this. And like I said, it's kind of a complicated, inter-threaded thing. The description, I think, addresses the questions, though.

SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, Len. I hope you weren't amused.

SPEAKER: Very educational.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yeah. Go ahead.

MR. PRINCE: Okay. I'll just read and do this, then we can talk about it some more. I was asked to bring you a copy of the International Trust Symposium application with me today, which I have brought. It's in this box on the floor. We can spread it out for inspection.

So, upon approval by the State Parks Board, the \$35,000 will be distributed evenly between the motorized and non-motorized components of the educational portion of the 2012 RTP appropriation.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, I'm going to stop you, again then – then we want – if it's supposed to be done this way, then we're going to follow the rules and we should have seen that packet ahead of time. It should have been requested to us in a grant form. You're asking for \$17,500.

MR. FRENCH: Is that what it -- what are they asking for from the motorized portion?

CHAIR SAVINO: \$17,500.

MR. FRENCH: How do you figure that? I don't see how –

CHAIR SAVINO: Read that last little statement again.

MR. PRINCE: Upon approval by the State Parks Board, the \$35,000 will be distributed evenly between the motorized and non-motorized components of the education portion of the 2012 RTP appropriation. The International Trail Symposium will address both motorized and non-motorized trail issues. So, basically, they're taking that \$35,000 and they're splitting it –

CHAIR SAVINO: Between motorized and non-motorized.

MR. PRINCE: Right because the Symposium addresses motorized and non-motorized uses.

MR. FRENCH: I don't think any of us have a problem with –

MR. McARTHUR: I must say I've gone and looked through the International Trail Symposium at their – they do it every two years; and I looked at – the last one was at Chattanooga. I went through their seminars and all that. They do have OHV-specific things; and they do have some things that can apply to OHV. So it's –

MR. FRENCH: You know – myself, I don't have a problem. I totally agree with that. I think they do represent somewhat the OHV industry. I think our concerns is how this is being – all of a sudden we can just out of thin air approve \$17,500 without any grant procedures or – I mean –

CHAIR SAVINO: That's my whole point. I'm not objecting to giving International Trail Symposium \$17,500 of education money. Okay? I'm objecting to State Parks being lazy and not filling out the paperwork and presenting it to the Advisory Group like it's done. This happened two years ago when three days before our meeting we get presented with a paper that says State Parks wants to give the Ambassador Program \$330,400 for the Ambassador Program. What we did we voted unanimously among our group – and you – you were at that meeting – we voted – not to turn down the money. We wanted to postpone it until our next meeting so we'd have time to look at the whole package. That's a lot of money.

So, that's what I'm objecting to. Here we go again. We're pushing through this stuff. The BLM is required to come and fill out this packet and come in front of us to present it so we have this packet reviewed – the whole thing on it – yet we're – because of whatever, we are circumventing the system.

MR. FRENCH: Rebecca, how do you feel.

MS. ANTLE: I didn't understand it, so now that I understand it's half and half, doesn't the education fund – do we have to apply for grants out of that education fund, or can that education fund go directly to education? I thought several years back that's what we were allowed to do. How much is in the education fund?

CHAIR SAVINO: I really don't know what that is. We just have a blank fund.

MR. McARTHUR: I think what's in there – they said about \$80,000.

CHAIR SAVINO: Did they say –

MS. ANTLE: Yeah, there's a certain percentage of the RTP that goes directly into education. We did that many years ago. I can't remember what it is.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay.

MS. ANTLE: Five percent or ten percent or something. It's a very small budget. But I thought that at one point in time, education funds – I'm not sure if they needed a grant or not. But the way I read this, because the trails program being an applied-for grant, we're just going to give you money. That's the way I read it.

MR. FRENCH: That's what I'm getting now. If it's wrong, tell us.

MS. ANTLE: And if it's allowed to be spent on just education, without a grant, then I guess that would be okay.

MR. PRINCE: Yes, it says we're allowed to use up to five percent, approximately \$80,000, "for the yearly appropriation for educational projects and programs that promote trail safety and environmental protection."

MS. ANTLE: Without applying for a grant.

MR. PRINCE: Right. It's an appropriation.

MS. ANTLE: Okay. That's where I – if you don't need a grant and it's an educational process, I thought we were always told that we could – without going through the grant process we could say, "yes, you can use this for education only."

MR. FRENCH: This is new to me, so – if that's – Paul, help us out here. Is that something – did you know?

MR. KATZ: I think that the funds probably are not funds that require grant applications, but I think that – you know, this is the first – not getting a copy of the amended agenda, this is the first I've heard of it and I haven't had a chance to discuss the matter with anybody. Perhaps you just want to recommend that the State Parks Board not take further action without prior submitting additional information to you folks.

I don't know that they have been briefed on this issue either and I don't know what's anticipated [unintelligible]. I think if this is an appropriated fund that it could be allocated by Parks without going through the formal grant process.

CHAIR SAVINO: If that's the case, then I have no problem with that. Again, like I say, I have no problem with giving money to the education thing to help promote safety for the OHV community. I just want to know that if it's a grant process that they need to go through with this, then they need to go through the grant process.

MR. KATZ: Well, maybe you want to just entertain or somebody propose a motion that OHVAG would approve of it if in fact these are appropriated funds that do not require going through the normal grant process; but we will not agree – OHVAG does not agree to exempting them – them being the international folks or the American Trails, Inc. – if in fact these are grant monies.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, I make a motion to – I'm going to make the motion – wait, Jeff.

MR. PRINCE: Can I read in the explanation to this? It might help you guys understand it.

CHAIR SAVINO: We already – you want him to go ahead?

MR. McARTHUR: Yes, I would like to –

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, Paul, keep that – your thought in mind.

MR. KATZ: [Unintelligible.]

CHAIR SAVINO: Go ahead, Jeff.

MR. PRINCE: Okay, I'm picking up where I left off. Also since 1999, State Parks has been offering the motorized portion of the 50 percent project funds for competitive grants. During that time, 2001 through 2009, the State Parks Board allowed a member of OHVAG to observe the rating process and report back to the OHVAG group. State Parks staff would rate the grant projects and OHVAG would review the staff recommendation and could make their own recommendations. Both recommendations were taken to State Parks Board for final determination.

In 2010, the State Parks Board directed OHVAG to review and select motorized projects for funding. Staff combined the RTP motorized funds with the OHV recreation money in that process. Only project sponsors with an intergovernmental agreement with the State Parks were allowed to submit project proposals. The project selection process was loosely based on the State Trails Plan and OHV legislation. OHVAG tabled the discussion of its ITS scheduled for the April 6th meeting of this year and has not included it on their agenda since. ASCOT has discussed the ITS at all its meetings and is working with the program and volunteer committees to assist in any way possible. Then – that's the last of

the statement. So that kind of – it addresses all five of questions that were asked in kind of an historical context, I guess, you would say.

MR. FRENCH: So, obviously, in staff's mind it's something they can –

MR. McARTHUR: That doesn't require the grant process?

MR. PRINCE: Right. And the gist I get of it is, you know, they asked for you guys' input back on April and it was tabled and it hasn't been brought back into your agenda since then.

CHAIR SAVINO: Well, first of all, I remember that –

MR. PRINCE: Well, if I could finish?

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay.

MR. PRINCE: So, you know, again I wasn't here back then; but apparently it was on the agenda back in April. It was tabled. It was never re-introduced on your agenda for this group; and – let me finish – and now, the State Parks Board has to vote on it. So this is kind of like your last shot to give your input to the Board so they can make their decision.

CHAIR SAVINO: We don't direct this thing. When you say, "your" agenda, you know what, you guys are the ones who make out the agenda. Okay? You ask for input on any new things. You guys make out the thing. Just like I've been asking you to write down the – to put it on the next agenda, if you decide not to put it on there, then it comes out the agenda, we get what we're – is presented. It's not a thing that you make out an agenda and you forward the email to me and says, "Is this cool with you on this agenda?"

MR. PRINCE: Right.

CHAIR SAVINO: All you do is ask for out input on the agenda. So don't put the blame on us on this.

MR. FRENCH: Well, there is some frustration there and we understand. You're on board now and we hope you'll help us with this. There's things being left off the agenda, and then we can't talk about it, because it wasn't on the agenda. Why wasn't it put on the –

[Overlapping conversations.]

MR. FRENCH: No, no. I agree. That's where our frustration comes from.

CHAIR SAVINO: Let's go on with this thing. I think we're all in agreement. I'd like to entertain a motion to approve – to what Paul said earlier. If it's legal for us to approve the \$17,500 – which is the motorized portion of the RTP education money, then I'd like to entertain that motion to approve that. If – and so – if it's legal. Do I have a motion?

MR. KATZ: Yeah, and I think you can just phrase it that – you know, if somebody would move that OHVAG approve up to \$17,500 of those educational RTP Funds to be awarded to American Trails, Inc., for participation in that symposium, provided that these are not grant – that require grant approval – or something to that extent.

CHAIR SAVINO: I like that. Copy that, whatever he said.

MR. KATZ: I should have written it down while you guys were talking.

MR. FRENCH: Mr. Chair, if you want to write that motion down. I mean, somebody should write that motion –

CHAIR SAVINO: It's on the – he can come back to the – so, that motion has been –

MS. ANTLE: Do you want me to try to summarize what he said?

CHAIR SAVINO: Oh, God! Please.

MS. ANTLE: Okay. The OHVAG Advisory Group approves the \$17,500 for the Trail Symposium, as long as it isn't required for a competitive grant process and can be taken out of the RTP Educational Funds without being applied for with a grant – something like that.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, the motion has been put on the thing. Is there a second to that motion? Don French has seconded. All in favor?

CHORUS OF VOICES: Aye.

CHAIR SAVINO: There's been a unanimous decision passed. Thank you, Paul, for helping out on that one.

MR. KATZ: I think the folks up there were saying it better than I could.

[LAUGHTER.]

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, now where am I on this agenda? Agenda item G.

MS. ANTLE: We've gone through F(3).

CHAIR SAVINO: We've gone through all that, so I'm in G. Time and Place of Next Meeting and Call for Future Agenda Items.

MR. FRENCH: Tucson with lunch.

CHAIR SAVINO: What?

MR. FRENCH: Tucson with lunch.

CHAIR SAVINO: Tucson with lunch and – Jeff, the agenda items that we've suggested during this meeting, please do me a favor. You'll send out a – you'll send out a request that – you're involved in it now. And I apologize for anything that – nothing was intended. I know that you've started now. That you had to take the brunt because you're the only one here.

MR. PRINCE: I've got broad shoulders.

CHAIR SAVINO: It's not intended for you. I just wanted to – we need to get that point across and put it on record.

MR. PRINCE: I do appreciate that.

CHAIR SAVINO: And I appreciate all the work you do and you're going to do.

Okay, the group here will discuss the proposed meeting dates in 2013. We've got May 17 or 18. That's a Friday or Saturday. Don't we have one in February? Don't we have a meeting in February, usually?

MR. PRINCE: Yeah.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, what does it say? Okay, we're going to meet in February. Let's just do that one.

MR. PRINCE: Can I interject something here?

MR. FRENCH: Yes.

MR. PRINCE: I made an error.

CHAIR SAVINO: Yes, go ahead, the chair recognizes –

MR. PRINCE: I have a note here in respect to this grants manual discussion we were having earlier. The grants will be due January 11, and that a February meeting will be for the rating of the grants. So, we should be able to provide you a large enough window of time to look through the grants and then come to the meeting in February and rate them so that they can be forwarded to –

CHAIR SAVINO: Do you have an earpiece in your ear that goes on with this?

MR. PRINCE: No. I literally have it on the bottom of my paper. I apologize.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. Did we set a date for the February meeting? Did we set the actual date?

SPEAKER: The second weekend?

CHAIR SAVINO: The second weekend in February which is what?

MS. ANTLE: No, I'm not available the second weekend.

CHAIR SAVINO: When are you available?

MS. ANTLE: Any weekend but the second weekend.

MR. FRENCH: Why are we talking weekend?

CHAIR SAVINO: What? We don't have it on weekend, we have it on Friday. She's not available on the second Friday.

MS. ANTLE: Yes. That Friday is a travel day.

CHAIR SAVINO: Where?

MS. ANTLE: We come up here for our [unintelligible].

CHAIR SAVINO: Where are we?

MR. FRENCH: The first week in February?

MS. ANTLE: The first week would be all right, but the second week I'm not available.

CHAIR SAVINO: Let's do it the third weekend – the third Friday of February. Is that okay with you?

MS. ANTLE: I think so. I think I'm okay on that one.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, what's the date on Friday the third?

MS. ANTLE: Let's see here, Friday, February 1st?

CHAIR SAVINO: Huh? The third weekend?

MS. ANTLE: The third weekend's February 15th.

CHAIR SAVINO: The 15th?

MR. McARTHUR: Isn't that President's weekend?

MS. ANTLE: Yes and Valentine's Day on the 14th.

CHAIR SAVINO: Do we want to make it – when do you have to have this thing? This is when we approve the grants. How about the fourth week? Can we make it the 22nd of February? Does anybody have any objections?

SPEAKER: That's the Presidents' weekend.

MS. ANTLE: No, the Presidents' weekend's the 18th the weekend before.

CHAIR SAVINO: You okay with the 22nd?

MR. FRENCH: I'm okay.

CHAIR SAVINO: We're going to make the meeting on the 22nd of February at the Pima Ride Park.

Okay, I'd like to entertain a motion for adjournment. Thomas entertains that motion – he makes the motion. Rebecca should know that she seconded it. All in favor? You all said, yes. Don said yes, I said yes, Rebecca and Thomas.

Thank you very much for coming and joining with us on this eventful day. Paul, thank you, you can go to bed now.

MR. KATZ: You mean I can wake up now?

[LAUGHTER.]

CHAIR SAVINO: Thank you very much. I hope we weren't too boring.

MR. KATZ: No, you weren't. [Unintelligible.] I have a few things that I'd like to address to Bob; but if there's anything that you want to have me take a look at by way of follow through, shoot me an email or send it through Jeff and he'll get it to me.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay. Thank you very much. We appreciate all that you do.

MR. KATZ: Have a fun time later and tomorrow be safe.

CHAIR SAVINO: Okay, thank you.

[Whereupon at 13:04, the meeting was adjourned.]